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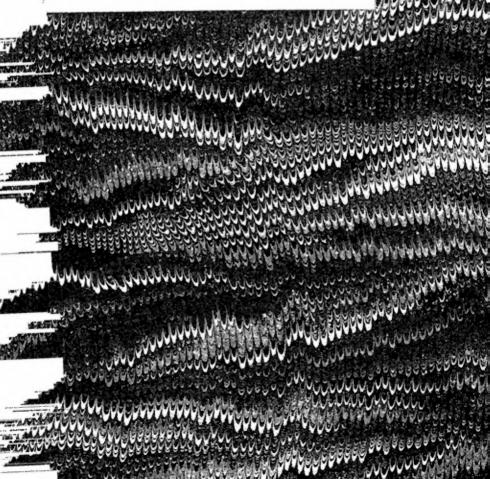
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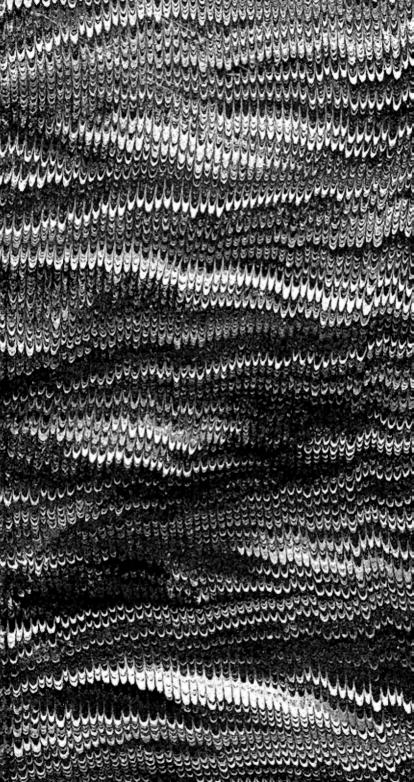
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1890 July 2.	N.R.	Arnold, Thomas Walker, B. A., M. R. A. S., Pro-
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1877 July 4.	R.	Ashgar Ali Diler Jang, Nawab Syad, Khan Baha-
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1889 Aug. 29.	N.R.	Aziz-ud-din Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate. Jaunpur.
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1864 Sept. 7.	A.	Beames, John, c. s. Europe.
1878 Sept. 25.	R.	Beighton, T. D., c. s. Calcutta.
1876 Nov. 15.	F.M.	Beveridge, Henry, c. s. Europe.
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1892 April 6.	R.	Bhattacharjee, Janaki Nath. Calcutta.
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1884 Feb. 6.	L A.	Bigg-Wither, Major A. C., B. A., A. I. C. E. Europe. Blanford, W. T., A. R. S. M., F. B. S., F. G. S., F. R. G. S.,
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1891 Aug. 27.	A.	Brown, Dr. E. H. Europe.
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1885 Feb. 4.	N.R.	Chaudhuri, Rájá Suryakánta, Bahádur. Mymen- singh.
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1889 April 3.	R.	Chunder, Gonesh Chunder, Solicitor. Calcutta.
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1877 Aug. 30.	A.	Clarke, LieutCol. Henry Wilberforce, R. E. Europe.
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1890 Dec. 3.		Connan, William, c. E., Public Works Department.
1874 Nov. 4.	F.M.	Constable, Archibald, M. I. C. E. Europe.
1884 Aug. 6.	A.	Cotes, Everard Charles. Europe.
1876 Mar. 1.	F.M.	
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1892 Mar. 2.	N.R.	Das, Gopal Ballabh, N. A. Cuttack.
1865 June 7.		Dás, Rájá Jaykrishna, Bahádur, C. S. I. Mora- dabad.
1879 April 7.	N.R.	Dás, Rám Saran, M. A., Secy., Oudh Commercial Bank, Limited. Fyzabad, Oudh.
1893 Nov. 1.	A.	Dé, B, c. s. Enrope.
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1893 Mar. 1.		Deussen, Dr. Paul. Europe.
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		Aus. Inst. M. E. Calcutta.
1887 Nov. 2.		Driver, Walter Henry Parker. Europe.
1892 Sep. 22.	A.	Drury, Dr. F. G. Europe.
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1879 Feb. 5.	N.R	Survey, Northern India. Saharanpur.
1892 Jan. 6.		
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1892 May 4.	R.	Elliott, The Hon. Sir C. A., K. C. S. I., LientGover-
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1891 Aug. 27.	R.	Ernest, Diego, Merchant. Calcutta.
1894 Dec. 5.	R.	Finn, Frank, B. A. Calcutta.
1879 July 2.	R.	Finucane, M., c. s. Calcutta.
1886 April 7.	N.R.	Floet, John Faithfull, c. I. E., C. S. Poona.
1893 May 3.	A.	Forbes, Major H. F. Gordon. Europe.
1892 May 4.	R.	Forrest, G. W., B. A., Calcutta.
1876 July 5.	N.R.	Foulkes, The Rev. Thos., F. L. S., M. R. A. S., F. R. G. S.
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1893 Jan. 11.	N.R.	Gait, E. A., c. s. Shillong.
1880 April 7.	N.R.	Gajapati, Sir Ananda Ram, K. C. I. E., Raja of
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1859 Aug. 3.	L.M.	Gastrell, General James Eardley. Europe.
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1883 Aug. 30.	R.	Ghose, Manmohan. Calcutta.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Ghosha, Bhupendra Sri. Calcutta.
1869 Feb. 3.	R.	Ghosha, Pintápachandra, B. A. Calcutta.
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1886 Sept. 30.	N.R.	Gimlette, Surgeon George Hart Desmond, Bengal Medical Service, M. D., M. CH., M. R. C. S., L. S. A.,
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1882 Aug. 2.	R.	Mahomed Yusoof, The Hon. Maulvie, Khan Baha-
		dur. Calcutta,
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1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Maun, John, M. A. Calcutta.
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1886 Mar. 3.	L.M.	Mehtá, Rustomjee Dhunjeebhoy. Calcutta.
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1884 Sept. 3.	R.	Miles, William Harry. Calcutta.
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1874 May 6.	N.R.	Minchin, F. J. V. Aska, Ganjam.

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1892 Mar. 2.	R.	Mukerjea, Nrisinha Chundra. Calcutta.
1892 Dec. 7.	R.	Mukerjea, Panchanau. Calcutta.
1867 Mar. 6.	R.	Mukerjea, The Hon. Rájá Pearimohau, c. s. t., M. A. Uttarpara.
1894 Aug. 3.	R.	Mukerjee, Sibnarayan. Uttarpara.
1890 July 2.	R.	Mukharji, T. N. Calcutta.
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1885 June 3.	N.R.	Naemwoollah, Maulvie, Deputy Magistrate. Mora-dabad.
1887 June 1.	N.R.	Narain, Ráo Govind Ráo. Allahabad.
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1887 April 6.	N.R.	logical Survey of India.
1893 Feb. 1.	A.	Nolan, P., c. s. Europe.
1894 June 6.	N.R.	Nomani, Shams-ul-Ulama Maulvie Muhammad, Professor of Arabio in the Muhammadan Oriental College. Aligarh.
1892 Oct. 27.	N.R.	Norvill, Dr. Frederio H. Dibrugarh.
1885 Feb. 4.	R.	Nyáyaratna, Mahámabopádhyáya Mahesachaudra, c. i. E. Calcutta.
1879 Aug. 28.	Α.	Oldham, Brigade-Surgeon C. F., F. R. G. S. Europe.
1883 Dec. 1.	N.R.	Oldham, R. D., A. R. S. M., F. G. S., Deputy Super- intendent, Geological Survey of India.
1883 Aug. 30.	N.R.	Oliver, Edw. Emmerson, M. I. C. E. Lahore.
1887 July 6.	N.R.	Oung, Moung Hla. Rangoon.
1880 Aug. 4.	L.M.	Pandia, Pandit Mohanláll Vishnuláll, F. T. S., Prime Minister, Partabgarh State. Rajputna, vid Mand- saur.
1880 Jan. 7. 1862 May 7.	N.R. L.M.	

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Date of Election.		
1871 Dec. 6.	N.R.	Peal, S. E. Sibsagar, Assam.
1873 Aug. 6.	R.	Pedler, Alexander, F. R. S., Bengal Education Scrvice. Calcutta.
1888 June 6.	L.M.	Pennell, Aubray Percival, B. A., C. S. Rangoon.
1881 Aug. 25.	R.	Percival, Hugh Melvile, M. A., Bengal Education Service. Calcutta.
1877 Aug. 1.	N.R.	Peters, Surgeon-Major C. T., M. B. Bijapúr, Bombay.
1889 Nov. 6.	A.	Phillott, Capt. D. C. Europe.
1893 Jan. 11.	N.R.	Pillay, P. Sundaram. Trivandrum.
1889 Mar. 6.	A.	Prain, David, M. A., M. B., L. R. C. S., I. R. S. E., I. L. S. Europe.
1892 Aug. 3.	R.	Pramanick, Asutosh. Calcutta.
1889 Mar. 6.	N.R.	Prasad, Hanuman, Raes and Zemindar. Chunar.
1889 Nov. 6.	N.R.	Prasada, Pandit Jwála, M. A., Assistant Commissioner. Rai Bareli.
1881 Feb. 2.	A.	Prideaux, Colonel Sir William Fraucis, B.S.C., K.C.I.E. Europe.
1880 April 7.	N.R.	Rai, Bipina Chandra, B. L. Calcutta.
1894 Aug. 30.	R.	Ranking, Dr. George. Calcutta.
1887 May 4.	R.	Ráy, Prasannakumár, D. SC., (Lond. and Edin.) Professor, Presidency College. Calcutta.
1889 June 5.	R.	Raye, Brigade-Surgeon Daniel O'Conuell, M. D. Calcutta.
1884 Mar. 5.	A.	Risley, H. H., B. A., C. S., C. I. E. Europe.
1889 June 5.	A.	Rowe, F. J., M. A., Bengal Education Service. Europe.
1888 June 6.	R.	Roy, Knmár Devendro Nárayán. Calcutta.
1890 Mar. 5.	N.R.	Roy, Mahárájá Girjanath. Dinagepore.
1888 June 6.	R.	Roy, Peary Mohun. Calcutta.
1885 Mar. 4.	R.	Rustomjee, H. M. Calcutta.
1889 June 5.	N.R.	Sadler, Major J. Hayes, B. S. C. Muscat.
1893 Aug. 2.	R.	Samajpati, Suresh Chundra. Calcutta.
1887 June 1.	N.R.	Sandberg, The Rev. Graham, B. A., Barrister-at- Law, Inner Tomplo. Chaplain. Subathu.
1867 April 3.	R.	Sarkár, Dr. Mahendralál, c. 1. E. Calcutta.
1885 Mar. 4.	R.	Sarvádhikári, Rájkumár, Rai Bahádûr. Calcutta.
1893 Jan. 11.		Scindin, His Highness the Maharajah.
1888 Feb. 1.	A.	Sclater, William Lutley., M. A. Europe.
1874 July 1.	R.	Scully, Dr. John. Calcutta.
1888 Sept. 27.	R.	Sen-Gupta, Kali Prasanna. Calcutta.
1886 Mar. 3.	N.R.	Sen, Hirálal, Excise Department. Dinagepore.
1885 April 1.	R.	Sen, Narendranáth. Calcutta.
1885 April 1.	N.R.	Sen, Yadunath. Balia, via Cuttack.
1885 Feb. 4.	R.	Shastri, Pandit Haraprasad, M. A. Calcutta.
1892 Dec. 7.	A.	Shawe, F. B. Europe.

Date of Election.		
1891 June 3.	N.R.	Shillingford, Frederick Alexander. Purneah.
1889 Nov. 6.	N.R.	
1887 April 6.	R.	Simpson, Dr. W. J., Health Officer. Calcutta.
1869 Feb. 3.	N.R.	Singh, Mahámahopádhyáya Sirdár Sir Attar, Bahá- dur, K. c. I. E., M. U. F., Chief of Bhadour. Ludiana.
1893 Mar. 1.	N.R.	
1880 June 2.	N.R.	
1878 Oct. 4.	N.R.	Singli, Rájá Lachman. Agra.
1877 June 6.	N.R.	Singh, H. H. the Hon. Maharaja Sir Luchmessur, Bahádur, K. o. I. E. Darbhanga.
1892 Mar. 2.	L.M	Singh, The Hon. Raja Oodaypratab. Binga.
1889 Aug. 29.	N.R.	Singh, H. H. Prabhunarain, Bahádur, Mahárájá of Benares.
1859 Aug. 3.	N.R.	Ajodhua, Oudh.
1889 Nov. 6.	N.R.	bhanga.
1894 Feb. 7.	N.R.	Chhatarpur.
1859 Aug. 3.	R.	Sinha, Baláichánd. Calcutta.
1893 April 5.	N.R.	Sinha, Raja Bhupendra, Bahadur, Raja of Bijoypur. Mirzapore.
1894 July 4.	N.R.	Sinha, Knuwar Kushal Pal, M. A. Narki P. O. Agra District.
1872 Aug. 5.	N.R.	the Santháls. Rampur Hát.
1891 Dec. 2.	A.	Smith, A. Mervyn, C. E., F. S. A. Europe.
1885 Nov. 4.	A.	Smith, N. F. F. Europe.
1874 June 3.	N.R.	Smith, Vincent Arthur, c. s. Gorakhpur.
1890 April 2.	A.	Solf, Dr. W. H. Europe.
1891 Aug. 27.	N.R.	Stein, Dr. M. A. Lahore.
1872 July 3.	A.	Stephen, Carr., B. L. Enrope.
1864 Aug. 11.	R.	Swinhoe, W., Attorney-at-Law. Calcutta.
1868 June 3.	R.	Tagore, The Hou. Maharajá Sir Jotendra Mohun, Bahádur, κ. c. s 1. Calcutta.
1893 Aug. 31.	N.R.	Tate, G. P., Survey of India. Quella.
1865 Sept. 6.	A.	Tawney, C. H., c. I. E., M. A. Europe.
1884 May 5.	N.R.	Taylor, W. C., Settlement Officer. Ahurda.
1878 June 5.		Tennie Maior, R. C., S. C. Rangoon.
1875 June 2.	N.R.	Thibaut, Dr. G., Professor, Muir Central College.
1886 Aug. 4.	R.	Thomas, Robert Edmond Skyring. Calculta.
1892 Jan. 6.	N.R.	Thompson, H. N. Mouywa.
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Date of Election.		
1847 June 2.	L.M.	Thuillier, Major-Genl. Sir Henry Edward Landor,
	_	R. A., C. S. I., F. R. S. Europe.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Thuillier, Colonel. H. R., R. E., Snrveyor-General of India. Calcutta.
1891 Aug. 27.	N.R.	Thurston, Edgar. Madras.
1871 April 5.	F.M.	Trefftz, Oscar. Europe.
1861 June 5.	L.M.	Tremlett, James Dyer, M. A., C. S. Europe.
1893 May 3.	N.R.	Vandja, Raja Ram Chandra. Mayurbhanga, District Balasore.
1890 Feb. 5.	N.R.	Venis, Arthnr, M. A., Former Boden Sanskrit Scholar, Oxford., Principal, Sanskrit College, Benares., Professor, Queen's College. Benares.
1885 May 6.	R.	Verdean, Ivan. Calcutta.
1894 Sept. 27.	L.M.	Vost, Snrgeon-Captain William. Bahraich, Oudh.
1889 Nov. 6.	A.	Walsh, Snrgeon-Captain J. H. Tnll, Indian Medical Service. Europe.
1865 May 3.	R.	Waterhouse, Col. James, B. S. C., Assistant Snrveyor-General, Survey of India. Oalcutta.
1887 Oct. 6.	N.R.	Watson, Lieut. Edward Yerbury. Bangalore.
1874 July 1.	N.R.	Watt, Dr. George, C. I. E. Simla.
1892 Aug. 3.	R.	Whitehead, The Rev. Henry. Calcutta.
1891 May 6.	R.	Wilson, Charles Robert, M. A., Bengal Education Service. Calcutta.
1892 Jan. 6.	N.R.	Woodburn, The Hon. J., c. s. Nagpúr.
1894 Sept. 27.	R.	Woodroffe, John George, Barrister-at-Law. Cal-
1873 Aug, 6.	N.R.	Woodthorpe, Col. Robert Gossett, C. B., R. E., Deputy Quarter-Master-General. Simla.
1894 Ang. 3.	N.R.	Wright, Henry Nelson, c. s. Dehra Dún.

## SPECIAL HONORARY CENTENARY MEMBERS.

Date of Election.	
1884 Jan. 15.	Dr. Ernst Haeckel, Professor in the University of Jena.
1884 Jan. 15.	Charles Meldrum, Esq., M. A., Y. R. S. Mauritius.
1884 Jan. 15.	A. H. Sayce, Esq., Professor of Comp. Philology. Oxford.
1884 Jan. 15.	Monsieur Emile Senart, Member of the Institute of France. Paris.
1884 Jan. 15.	Sir Monier Monier-Williams, Knt., K. C. I. E., M. A., D. C. E., LL. D., Beden Prof. of Sanskrit. Oxford.

## HONORARY MEMBERS.

		HUNUKAKI MEMBEKS.
1848 Feb.	2.	Sir J. D. Hooker, K. C. S. I., C. B., M. D., D. C. L., F. R. S., F. G. S. Kew.
1853 April	G.	Major-General Sir H. C. Rawlinson, K. C. B., D. C. L., F. B. S., London.
1860 Mar.	7.	Professor Max Müller. Oxford.
1860 Nov.	7.	
1872 June		Prof. T. H. Huxley, LL. D., PH. D., F. R. S., F. G. S., F. Z. S.,
		F. L. S. London.
1875 Nov.	3.	Dr. O. Böhtlingk. Leipzig.
1879 June	-	Prof. E. B. Cowell, D. C L. Cambridge.
1879 June		Dr. A. Günther, v. P. R. S. London.
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1881 Dec.	-	
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1881 Dec.		Sir William Thempson, Knt., LL. D., F. R. S., F. R. S. E.,
		Glasgow.
1883 Feb.	7.	W. T. Blanford, Esq., A. R. S. M., F. R. S., F. G. S., F. R. G. S., F. z. S. London.
1883 Feb.	7.	Alfred Russell Wallace, Esq., F. L. S., F. R. G. S. Parkstone,
2004 26	н .	Dorsetshire.
1894 Mar.		Sir William Henry Flower, K. C. B., D. C. L. London.
1894 Mar.	. 1	Dr. Edward Frankland, D. C. L., F. R. S. Reigate.
1894 Mar.		Monsieur Louis Pasteur. Paris.
1894 Mar.		Sir George Gabriel Stokes, Bart, F. R. S. Cambrilge.
1894 Mar.	7.	Mahámahopádhyaya Chandra Kanta Tarkalankara. Calcutta.
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### CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Date of Election.	
1844 Oct. 2. Macgowan, Dr. J. Europe.	
1856 July 2. Krämer, A. von. Alexandria.	
1856 July 2. Porter, The Rev. J. Belfast.	
1861 July 3. Gösche, Dr. R. Berlin.	
1862 Mar. 3. Murray, A. London.	
1866 May 7. Schlagintweit, Prof. E. von.	Berlin.

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

·1874 April 1.	Lafont, The Rev. Fr. E., S. J., C. I. E. Calcutta.
1875 Dec. 1.	Bate, The Rev. J. D. Allahabad.
1875 Dec. 1.	Abdul Hai, Maulvie, Madrassah. Calcutta.
1882 June 7.	Giles, Herbert. Europe.
1883 Feb. 7.	Rodgers, C. J. Amritsar.
1884 Aug. 6.	Moore, F., r. B. S., r. L. s. London.
1885 Dec. 2.	Führer, Dr. A. Lucknow.
1886 Dec1.	Dás, Saratchandra., c. I. E. Calcutta.
1892 April 6.	Samasrami, Satyavrata. Calcutta.
1892 Dec. 7.	Brühl, P. J. Seebpur.

### LIST OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN ABSENT FROM INDIA THREE YEARS AND UPWARDS.\*

\* Rule 40.—After the lapse of 3 years from the date of a member leaving India, if no intimation of his wishes shall in the interval have been received by the Society, his name shall be removed from the List of Members.

The following members will be removed from the next Member List of the Society, under the operation of the above Rule:—

Lientenant-Colonel Henry Wilberforce Clarke, R. E. Walter Henry Parkar Driver, Esq. G. Hughes, Esq., c. s.
Philip Lake, Esq., B. A.
J. Bridges Lee, Esq., M. A., F. E. S., F. C. S., F. Z. S.
William Lutley Sclater, Esq., M. A.
N. F. F. Smith, Esq.
Dr. W. H. Solf.
Carr Stephen, Esq., B. L.

### LOSS OF MEMBERS DURING 1894.

### BY RETIREMENT.

Count H. Condenhove.
Samuel R. Elson, Esq.
Maulvie Golám Sarwar.
Lieutenant W. A. Harrison, R. E.
Colonel H. S. Jarrett, B. S. C.
Dr. W. King, B. A.
Brigade-Surgeon Konneth Macleod, M. D.
Captain Malcolm John Meade, S. C.
T. F. Peppé, Esq.
John, Henry Rivett-Carnac, Esq., C.I.E., F.S.A., C.S.
R. Sewell, Esq., M. C. S.
Rai Bahadur Dhanapati Singh, Dughar
Dr. Laurence Austine Waddell, M. B.

### BY DEATH.

### Ordinary Members.

Babu Gyanendra Kumar Rai Chaudhuri.
Prince Iskander Ali Mirza.
General Robert Maclagan, R.E., LL.D., F.R.S.E., F.R.E.S. (Life Member).
Babu Yadulal Mallik.
Babu Bhudeva Mukerjea, c. 1. E.
W. M. Osmond, Esq.
The Hon. Ajodhianath Pandit (Life Member.)
John Parry Scotland, Esq., c. E.
Mahámahopadhyáya Kaviraj Shymaladás.
Kumar Indra Chandra Singh.

### Honorary Members.

B. H. Hodgson, Esq. Professor H. Milne-Edwards. Dr. Warner Siemens. Dr. Aloys Sprenger. Professor William Dwight Whitney.

### BY REMOVAL.

### Under Rule 40.

Surgeon-General G. Bidie, c. i. E., F.L.S., M.B. John Hadden Fisher, Esq., c. s. E. Gay, Esq., M.A., F.R.A.S. William Grierson Jackson, Esq., c. s.

## ABSTRACT STATEMENTS

OF

## RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

OF THE

ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL

FOR

THE YEAR 1894.

# Asiatic Society

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	- 1	300	
-		30	

		То	ESTABLISI	HMENT.						
			34.1140.0100		Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P
Salaries					8,187	3	4			
Commission	***	***	***	***	377	7	ō			
Pension	***	***	•••	***	48	ò	ŏ			
r Gnaion	***	***	***				_	3,612	10	4
		To Co	NTINGENCI	es.						
Stationery	***	***	•••	•••	140		5			
Lighting	***		***		33	0	0			
Taxes		4.0	***	***	819	0	0			
Postage	***	***	***	***	527	0	0			
Freight		***	***	***	1	8	0			
Meeting		***	***	***	72	8	0			
Repairs	***	•••		***	1,761	6	0			
Miscellaneous		***		***	165	7	5			
							_	8,520	9	10
		To LIBB	ARY AND C	OLLECTIO:	Ns.					
Books	***	***	***	4++	807	4	8			
Local Periodical	B			***	16	0	0			
Binding	***	***	•••	***	1,011	4	0			,
Furniture	•••	***	***	***	199	0	0	2,033	8	8
		T	o Publicat	TIONS.				2,000		
fournal, Part I					2,508	4	6			
		* • •	***							
Journal Part II						8	9			
		***	444	***	3,241	8	9			
Journal, Part III	[	111	***	***	3,241 1,426	5	9			
Journal, Part III			***	***	3,241			8 490	11	6
Journal, Part II Journal, Part III Proceedings To Printing chai		***	***	•••	3,241 1,426	5	9	8,429 179	11 8	6
Journal, Part III Proceedings To Printing char	rges of	Circulars, I	Receipt-form	ms, &c.	3,241 1,426 1,253	5	9		8	C
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Journal, Part III Proceedings To Printing chai To Personal A	rges of	Circulars, I	Receipt-form	ms, &c.	3,241 1,426 1,253	5	9	179	8	(
Journal, Part III Proceedings	rges of	Circulars, I	Receipt-form	ms, &c.	3,241 1,426 1,253	5	9	179 325	10	(

## No. 1.

# of Bengal.

		Cr.							
				Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
By Balance from last rep	ort	•••	•••				1,42,830	10	10
	Br	CASH RECEI	PTS.						
Publications sold for cash	1	***	•••	52	0	0			
Interest on Investments	***	***	•••	6.307		6			
Rent of two rooms on the				-,		_			
Buildings		***		840	0	0			
Allowance from Govern									
lication of Journal									
pological and Cogna				2,000	0	0			
Ditto ditto from Chief C				1,000	0	0			
Miscellancous		***		80	10	0			
			_				10,280	4	6
	By P	ERSONAL AC	COUNT.						
Compounding fees	***	***	414	600	0	0			
Admission fees	***	***		416	0	0			
Subscriptions	***	***		7,327	0	0			
Sales on credit	***	***	***	273	13	0			
Miscellancous	***	***	*1*	58	15	1			
			_				8 675	12	1

Total Rs. ... 1,61,786 11 5

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Examined and found correct.

MEUGBNS, KING & SIMSON,
Auditors.

# Oriental Publication Fund in Account

			Dr.							
		То С	CASH EXPE	NDITURE.	Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	A8.	P.
Printing charge	8	•••	***	•••	4,305	8	0			
Editing charges		•••	***		2,575	6	0			
Salaries		***	•••	***	1,331	2	8			
Freight		110	***	***	47	2	0			
Stationery	***	•••	***	•••	36	4	0			
Postage	***	***	***	***	223	15	3			
Commission on			***	***	32	12	1			
Contingencies	111	411	***	111	17	13	6			
OOM WIND COLOR			***	_			_	8,569	15	6
To PERSONAL A	COUNT	Writes off a	and Miscella	neons)				77	4	0
20 211100111211	(		To Bal		***			8,368	9	9
				Total F	le		_	17,015	13	3

No. 2. with the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

		Cr.							
				Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
By Balance from last report	***	***		***			5,571	15	11
	I	Y CASH REC	RIPTS.						
Government allowance	***	•••	***	9,000	0	0			
Publications sold for cash		***	***	778		6			
Advances recovered	***	***	***	60	9	6	9,838	12	0
	By	PERSONAL A	CCOUNT.						
Sales on credit	***	***	***	***			1,605	1	4
			Total Re	B		-	17,015	13	3

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Auditors.

# Sanskrit Manuscript Fund in Account

		Dr.							
•	To CASE	EXPENDIT	URE.	Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
Salaries	•••	•••	*14	1,099	0	0			
Travelling charges	***		•••	462	5	0			
Purchase of manuscripts		***	***	546	0	0			
Copying charges		•••	***	14	4	0			
Contingencies			•••	255	2	0			
		To Balance	-	•••	_	_	2,366 5,844		
		Te	otal R	8		-	8,211	9	10

No. 3. with the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

		Cr.					
					Rs.	As	. P.
By Balance from last report			***	***	4,986	9	10
		BY CASH REC	EIPT.				
Government allowance	•••	***	***	***	8,200	0	0
	B	Y PERSONAL A	CCOUNT.				
Sales on credit	•••	•••	4**		25	0	0
			Total Rs.	•••	8,211	9	10
			Total Its.	***	0,211	_	

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Asiatic Society of Bengal.

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Auditors.

# Personal

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	Dr.						
			Rs. As	s. P.	Rs.	As.	P.
To Balance from last report	•••	•••	***		4,784	10	1
To C	CASH EXPEND	ITURE.					
Advances for purchase of Sanskri To Asiatic Society To Oriental Publication Fund To Sanskrit MSS., Fund	t MSS., &c.	***	8,675 12 1,605 1 25 0	4	544	1	0
		-			10.305	13	5

Total Rs. ... 15,634 8 6

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## Account.

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		Cr.							
				Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	Aя.	p.
By Cash receipts		***		10,321	11	1			
By Asiatio Society		***		325		0			
By Oriental Publication :	Fund	***		77	4	0			
			-			_	10,724	9	1

By Balances.			to the		Due by the Society.			
		Rs.	As,	P.	Rs.	As.	P.	
Mombers	• •••	4,675	9	5	207	9	5	
Subscribers		52	14	0	6-1	10	6	
Employés		30	0	0	250	0	0	
Agents		169	2	6	0	0	0	
Miscellaneous	***	669	4	0	164	10	7	
		5,596	13	11	686	14	8	

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Total Rs. ...

15,634 8 6

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MEUGENS, KING & SIMSON,

Auditors.

# Invest

			Dr.							
					No	min	al.	Actu	al.	
					Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
To Balance fro	om last report	***	***	•••	1,37,700 10,000			1,87,270 10,380	13 11	4 2
			Total Rs.		1,47,700	0	0	1,47,651	8	6

			TOTAL							
•Funds.	Permanent.			Temporary.			AULAU			
		Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.	Rs.	As.	P.
Asiatic Society		1,38,051	1	7	8,301	10	2	1,46,855	11	9
Trust Fund		1,295	12	9	0	0	0	1,295	12	9
	ĺ	1,39,846	14	4.	8,301	10	2	1,47,651	8	6

# STATEMENT

# Trust

		Dr.				
					Rs. As	3. P.
***	***		***	***		0 0
***	***	***	944	***	1,343	3 10
			Total Rs.	***	1,391	3 10
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	Cr.		
		Actual.	
By Balance *	 ***	Rs. As. P 1,47,700 0 0	Rs. As. P. 1,47,651 8 6
by balance	Total Rs.	1,47,700 0 0	1,47,651 8 6
		-	

ALEX. PEDLER,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Examined and found correct.

MEUGENS, KING & SIMSON,

Auditors.

## No. B.

## Fund.

	Cr.			Rs.	As.	P
By Balance from last report	***	4 6 6	•••	1,339 52	3 0	
By Interest on Investments		Total Rs.	***	1,391	3	10

ALEX. PEDLEE,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Examined and found correct.

MEUGENS, KING & SIMSON,

Auditors.

# Cash

	Dr.					
				Rs.	As	.P.
To Balanco from last report	***	***	***	12,673	1	0
	RECEIPT	18.				
To Asiatio Society	***	***	•••	10,280	4	6
To Oriental Publication Fund	***	***	***	9,838	12	0
To Sanskrit Manuscript Fund		***		3,200	0	0
To Personal Account	***	***	* * *	10,321	11	1
To Trust Fund	***	***	***	52	0	0
		Total Rs.		46.365	12	7

# STATEMENT

# Balance

		Dr.			
			•		Rs. As. P.
To Cash	***	***	***	***	6,580 5 7
To Investments		***	•••	***	6,580 5 7 1,47,651 8 6
To Personal Account	***	***	•••	144	4,909 15 5
			Total Rs.	***	1,59,141 13 6

## No. 7.

## Account.

		Cr.					
					Rs.	As.	P.
	E	XPENDIT	URK.				
By Asiatic Society	***		***	•••	17,876	0	4
By Oriental Publication	Fund		***	***	8,569	15	6
By Sanskrit Manuscript	Fund	***		***	- 9		0
By Personal Account	***	***	***	***	544	1	0
By Trust Fund	***	***		***	48	0	0
By Investments					10,380	11	2
	By Balance	***		***	6,580	5	7
			Total Rs.		46,365	12	7

ALEX. PEDLER,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Examined and found correct.

Mergens, King & Simson,

Auditors.

No. 8.

Sheet.

		Cr.					
	•				Rs.	As.	P.
By Asiatic Society	•••				1,43,585	1	1
By Oriental Publication F	fund		***	***	8,368		9
By Sanskrit Manuscript F	und		4.4		5,844	14	10
By Trust Fund	•••			***	1,343		10
			Total Rs.		1,59,141	13	6
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ALEX. PEDLER,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Examined and found correct.

MEUGENS, KING & SIMSON,

Auditors.



### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR JANUARY, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, was held on Wednesday, the 2nd January, 1895, at 9 P. M.

DR. A. F. R HOERNLE, Vice-President, in the chair.

The following members were present:-

Surgeon-Major-General A. F. Bradshaw, A. A. Caspersz, Esq., Babu Çârat Candra Dās, C. L. Griesbach, Esq., Babu Çārat Candra Lāhiri, Kumār Rāmeçvar Māliā, J. Mann, Esq., L. de Nicéville, Esq., Paṇḍit Haraprasād Çāstrī, C. R. Wilson, Esq., J. G. Woodroffe, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Thirty-one presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:-

S. R. Elson, Esq.

Lieutenant W. A. Harrison.

Dr. Kenneth Macleod.

Mr. C. L. Griesbach exhibited some antique beads and stones.

Note on the above by Mr. J. H. Skrine.

At Sabour, 5 miles east of Bhagulpur, in an alluvial soil 12 miles from nearest rock formations, are found immense quantities of beads and stones. The time is June, when the rains burst. The soil is thus covered with them and the roads, too, have their quota. The natives

have no tradition as to their history. Sabour is 2 miles south of the present bed of the Ganges, and 1 mile from the eld bed (one in use within living memory.)

The following papers were read :-

1. Buddhism in Bengal, after the Muhammadan Conquest.—By PANDIT HARAPRASAD ÇASTRI, M.A.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

2. Note on some remarkable remains in Kashmir.—By Mrs. H. G. M. Murray-Aynsley. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

Early in November 1894, shortly before quitting Kashmir after this our fourth visit, I was attracted to the remains of certain old buildings about a mile distant from the European quarter of Sirinagar. On closer examination, one of these proved to have formerly been a Muhammadan Ziarat.\* Its walls, up to the height of 10 feet, consisted of very large carefully hewn stones apparently laid without mertar. The roof is entirely fallen in. Judging from the dimensions of the beams of wood lying about in the interior, the whele of the upper part of this building must have been of that material. Amongst this debris are one or two tombstones in situ, and fragments of others are scattered about. Three or four yards distant from, and parallel with the Ziarat, are the remains of another building of the same character. In this case, the existing stone walls are not mere than 4 or 5 feet in height. The whole enclosure is however, much larger than the first named. It contains more than one native dwelling place, the occupants of which appeared to belong to a class superior to that of the ordinary cultivator. These people, on being questioned said, that once upon a time a Mosque stood on this latter site.

Directly in front of the Ziārat, and placed in a sloping position against a rough wall which possibly originally formed its onter enclosure, is a singular stone which one may venture to say could never have belonged to either of the above-named buildings. At first sight, this stone appeared to be circular, but on accurate measurement, it proved to be (allowing for a portion which has been broken off) four feet in diameter one way, and four feet four inches the other. The thickness of this slab is about 10 inches, the under or back side is very roughly hewn, but its upper surface has been very carefully smoothed. All round it, at a distance of one inch and a half from the edge, is a

<sup>\*</sup> A walled enclosure, in which is the tomb of some saint, is thus styled.

distinct teench three inches and a half in width. Within this area, scattered over the surface, are numerous depressions (so called cupmarkings), more or less carefully made, and similar to those hollowed stones which if found in Brittany, in the Island of Guernsey, in Cornwall, Scotland or Ireland, would be styled pre-historic cup-markings. Four of these depressions are of considerable size, being at least three inches in diameter and two inches in depth, and remarkably well defined. There are also several smaller cup-marks, some not so deep or so distinct as the others. The natives on the spot, say that this stone is old, old, centuries old; that it has never been used for any purpose by either themselves or their progenitors, so far as their traditions carry them; though they appeared to regard it with a kind of veneration as an object whose use and origin was unknown to them. Indeed its character and general appearance would seem to point to an earlier stage of civilization than any remains we have ever yet seen in Kashmir.

Some interesting and most curious relics of a past age in Kashmir, belonging probably to some of the earlier civilized races inhabiting that country, have recently been discovered in a valley between two spurs of a mountain rising up from the East end of the Dal or city lake, and situated four or five miles from Sirinagar.

These remains have not as yet been properly excavated or examined by experts, and it is therefore impossible at present to give any complete description of them. Suffice it to say, that what has already been uncovered consists of a portion of a circular pavement composed of unglazed terra cotta tiles of large size. This pavement has been described as being about 20 feet in diameter, each tile having a raised design of some animal or animals upon it. I was favoured with a sight of the only two tiles which had been brought into Sirinagar, and herewith enclose faithful copies (original size) of the designs upon them, executed by a friend who is a clever draughtswoman. The material is rough, and the execution rude, but the attitude of the two game cocks is remarkably spirited. I would venture to call attention to the resemblance which the flower between these two birds (repeated also on other portions of the design), bears to the flower of the Campa or Campak tree, so common in Southern India, but unknown in the Panjab and in Kashmir. Cockfighting is still a favorite amusement with the Kashmiris. I need hardly add that I should be much gratified and interested by being the recipient of any decision which your Society may arrive at respecting these objects.

## LIBRARY.

The following additions have been made to the Library since tho meeting held in December last:-

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- Havre. Société de Geographie Commerciale du Havre, - Bulletin, Septembre-Octobre, 1894.
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Taiping. Perak Government, - Gazette, Vol. VII, Nos. 27 and 28.

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## BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS,

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BANERJEE, SREENATH. A brief sketch of the life of Pandit Pran Nath Saraswati. Svo. Calcutta, 1894.

DUTHIE, J. F. Field and Garden Crops of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, Part III. 4to. Roorkee, 1893.

LAZARUS, JOHN. A Dictionary of Tamil Proverbs. 8vo. Madras, 1894. LYMAN, BENJAMIN SMITH. Some Coal Measure Sections near Peytona, West Virginia. 8vo. Philadelphia, 1894.

## MISCELLANEOUS PRESENTATIONS.

Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, Philadelphia, Vol. V, No. 3; and Supplement. 8vo. Philadelphia, 1894.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE,
PHILADRIPPIA.

Chus, J. A. Van Der. Dagh-Register gehonden int Easteel Batavia vant passerende daer ter plaestse als over geheel Nederlandts-India, anno, 1665. 4to. Batavia, 1894.

BATAVIA SOCIETY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

Guide to the Natural History and Mineral Galleries of the Government Museum, Madras. 8vo. Madras, 1894.

GOVERNMENT MUSEUM, MADRAS.

General Report on Public Instruction in Bengal for 1893-94. Yep. Calcutta, 1894.

OLDHAM, W. B. Some Historical and Ethnical Aspects of the Burdwan District. Svo. Calcutta, 1894.

Report on the Rail-borne Traffic of Bengal during the year 1893-94. Fep. Calcutta, 1894.

Resolution reviewing the reports on the working of the District Boards in Bengal during the year 1893-94. Fcp. Calcutta, 1894.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

Report of the Botanical Survey of India, Vol. I, Nos. 3 and 4. 8vo. Calcutta, 1894.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, REV. AND AGRI. DEPARTMENT.

Gazetteer of the Labore District, 1893-94. 8vo. Labore, 1894.

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India Office, London.

The Indian Journal of Education for December, 1894. 8vo. Madras, 1894.

V. KALYANARAM IYER, Esq.

STEIN, M. A. Catalogue of the Sanskrit Manuscripts in the Raghunatha Temple library of His Highness the Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir. 4to. Bombay, 1894.

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Verslagen der Zittingen van de wis-en natuurkundige afdeeling der Koniuklijke Akademie van Wetenschappen van 27 Mei 1893 tot 21st April, 1894. 4to. Amsterdam, 1894.

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- Indian Meteorological Memoirs, Vol. V, Parts 4 and 5. 4to. Calcutta, 1894.
- Monthly Weather Review for July and August, 1894. 4to. Calentta, 1894.
- Original Meteorological Observations of Calcutta, Allahabad, Lucknow, Lahore, Nagpur, Bombay and Madras for July and August, 1894. 4to. Calcutta, 1894.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTER TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA.

Proceedings of the Public Meeting of the Hindu Community, held on Wednesday, the 5th September, 1894, at the Town Hall of Calcutta, to thank Swami Vivekanauda and the American People. Svo. Calcutta, 1894.

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Return of Wrecks and Casualties in Indian Waters for the year 1893. Fcp. Calcutta, 1894.

PORT OFFICE, CALCUTTA.

Tide-Tables for the Indian Ports for the year 1895, also January, 1896. 8vo. London, 1894.

SURVEY OF INDIA, TIDAL AND LEVELLING OPERATION, POONA.

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Geneva. Archives des Sciences Physiques et Naturelles, — Tome XXXII, No. 11.

Leipzig. Annalen der Physik und Chemie, - Band LIII, Heft 5.

Beiblätter, Band XVIII, Heft 11.

Loudon. The Chemical News, - Vol. LXX, Nos. 1826-29.

. Numismatic Circular, - Vol. III, No. 25; and Index to Vol. 11.

Paris. Revue Scientifique, -4º Série, Tome II, Nos. 21-24.

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CUNNINGHAM, MAJOR-GENERAL, SIR A. Coins of Mediæval India. 8vo. London, 1894.



Plate I, will be issued with a future

number when ready.



#### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR FEBRUARY, 1895.

The Annual Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 6th February, 1895, at 9 P.M.

The Hon'ble Sir C. A. Elliott, K. C. S. I.,

Vice-President, in the chair.

The following members were present:-

Dr. A. W. Alcock, T. D. Beighton, Esq., Bābu Çarat Candra Dās, D. Ernst, Esq., G. A. Grierson, Esq., C. L. Griesbach, Esq., Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, A. Hogg, Esq., The Rev. Fr. E. Lafont, Bābu Çarat Candra Lāhirī, C. Little, Esq., E. D. Maclagan, Esq., J. Mann, Esq., C. R. Marriott, Esq., Dr. F. P. Maynard, W. H. Miles, Esq., L. de Nicéville, Esq., A. Pedler, Esq., Dr. G. Ranking, Papdit Haraprasād Çāstrī, Dr. G. Watt, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitors:—Babu Jñánendranāth Pāl Caudhuri, E. Dubois, Esq., Bābu Dīnanāth Gānguli, T. Kawakamin, Esq., The Rev. K. S. Macdonald.

According to the Bye-Laws of the Society, the Chairman ordered the Voting papers to be distributed for the election of Officers and Members of Council for 1895, and appointed Dr. George Watt and Bābu Çarat Candra Dās to be Scrutineers.

The CHAIRMAN then called upon the Secretary to read the Annual Report.

# ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1894.

The Council of the Asiatic Society have the honour to submit the following Report on the state and progress of the Society's affairs during the past year:—

#### Member List.

During the year under review 14 Ordinary Members were elected, 13 withdrew, 10 died, two being Life Members; 4 were removed from the list under Rule 40, being more than 3 years absent from India. There was thus a net loss of 13 Ordinary Members during the year. The total number of Members at the close of 1894, being 295, against 308 at the preceding year; of these 98 were Resident, 125 Non-Resident, 12 Foreign, 22 Life, 36 Absent from India, and 2 Special non-Subscribing Members, as will be seen from the following table, which also shows the fluctuation in the numbers of the Ordinary Members during the past six years:—

		Paying.				Non-paying.					
Year		Resident.	Non-Rest.	. Foreign.	Total.	Life.	Absent.	Special Non-Subscribing.	Total.	Grand Total.	
1889		108	135	13	256	22	27	2	51	307	
1890	•••	105	140	10	255	21	25	2 2	48	303	
1891		101	134	10	245	21	27	2	50	295	
1892		115	127	11	253	22	33	2	57	310	
1893		116	123	12	251	22	33	2	57	308	
1894		98	125	12	235	22	36	2	60	295	

The ten Ordinary Members, the loss of whom by death during the year we have to regret, were Babu Jñānendra Kumār Rāya Caudhurī, Prince Iskandar 'Alī Mirzā, General Robert Maclagan (Lifo Member), Babu Yādnlāla Mallika, Bābu Bhudeva Mnkerjee, Mr. W. M. Osmond, The Hon. Ayodhyānātha Paṇḍit (Lifc Member), Mr. John Parry Scotland, Mahāmahopādhyāya Kavirāja Çyāmalādās, and Kumār Indra Candra Siugh.

There were five deaths amongst the Honorary Members, vis., Mr. B. H. Hodgson, Professor H. Milne-Edwards, Dr. Warner Siemens, Dr. Aloys Sprenger, and Professor William Dwight Whitney. To fill these vacancies and others previously existing, the Society, on the recommendation of the Council, elected as Honorary Members, Sir William Henry Flower, Dr. Edward Frankland, Monsieur Louis Pasteur, Sir George Gabriel Stokes, Mahāmahopādhyāya Candrakanta Tarkālaņkāra, Professor Theodor Noeldeke, and Dr. Reinhold Rost. Thus the number of Honorary Members stands at 22.

The lists of Special Honorary Members, Corresponding Members, and Associate Members, continue unaltered from last year, there having been no casualties. Their numbers stand at 5, 6, and 10, respectively.

During the year two Members, Mr. E. D. Maclagan and Surgeon-Captain W. Vost, compounded for their future subscriptions; but as two Life-Members, General R. Maclagan and the Hon'ble Ayodhyānātha Paṇḍit died, the total number of Life-Members remains the same as it was at the close of 1893.

#### Indian Museum.

No Presentations were made over to the Indian Museum. The Trustees on behalf of the Society were:—

Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle.

A. Pedler, Esq.

Dr. D. D. Cunningham.

C. Little, Esq.

Dr. Mahendralal Sarkar.

#### Finance.

The Accounts of the Society are shown in Statement No. 1, in the Appendix, under the usual heads.

Statement No. 8 contains the Balance Sheet of the Society and of different funds administered through it.

The Budget Estimate for 1894 was taken at the following figures:—Receipts, Rs. 17,576-0-0; Expenditure, Rs. 16,993-0-0.

The actual results were found to be:—Receipts, Rs. 17,442-12-0; Expenditure, Rs. 17,875-14-4.

The Receipts thus show a decrease of Rs. 133-4-0, while the Expenditure shows an increase of Rs. 882-14-4 on the Budget Estimate.

The increase in Receipts is under the heads of "Interest on Investments" and "Rent of Rooms." "Interest on Investments" was estimated at Rs. 5,456; the actuals have been Rs. 6,307-10-6. The increase of Rs. 851-10-6 has arisen from the transfer of the Government Promissory Notes, from the 4 per cent. to the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. loan, the Government having paid in advance the excess interest of  $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. Owing to the payment in this year of two months' rent due last year by the Photographic Society of India, "Rent of Rooms" shows an increase of Rs. 120.

The loss of Members during the past year being somewhat larger than usual, the receipts from "Subscriptions" are below the estimated amount by Rs. 431-14-0. Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co. not having submitted their accounts, there appears a reduction of

Rs. 153-10-6 under the head of "Sale of Publications." The difference between the estimated and actual receipts, under the head of "Government Allowances," is due to the grant from the Government of Madras for Part III of the Society's Journal, dealing with Anthropology, Ethnology, and Folklore, not having been received during the year.

On the Expenditure side, the items of "Binding," "Jonrnal, Part I," "Jonrnal, Part II," and "Proceedings," show an increase. The heavy increase in the "binding" is due to a third set of the Society's "Asiatic Researches," "Journals," and "Proceedings" having been bound for the Society's Library, and to the binding of some old works. The budget grant for "Journal, Part I," has been exceeded by Rs. 408-4-6; this is owing to the payment for the printing of the maps illustrating Major Raverty's article on the "Miliran of Sind and its Tributaries." The expenditure on "Jonrnal, Part II," shows an increase of Rs. 1,141-8-9, caused chiefly by the payment of £68-11 for plates, to Messrs. West, Newman & Co. Owing to the Baptist Mission Press having been paid for the printing of eleven numbers of the "Proceedings" instead of ten, as usual, there is a slight increase of Rs. 253-8-6 under this head.

An Expenditure of only Rs. 807-4-8 appears under the head of "Books," in consequence of the non-receipt of Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner and Co's accounts, the books purchased through the London Agents amounting to £67-13-10.

There were two extraordinary items of expenditure during 1894, under the heads of "Repairs" and "Furniture," not provided for in the Budget. Rs. 1,761-6-0 was spent in cleaning and renovating the oil paintings belonging to the Society and in repairing the cane matting. Four almirahs were removed from the stock-room to the Library, and the necessary repairs cost Rs. 199.

The actual expenditure on the "Journal" and "Proceedings" was as follows:—

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			.3.		Rs.	A8.	Ρ.
* *	Part	I.	•••		2,508	4	6
Journal	Part Part Part	II.	***	***	3,241	8	9
	(Part	III.			1,426	5	9
Proceedings			• • •		1,253	, 8	6
			Total		8,429	11	6

This is less than the Budget Estimate by Rs. 270-5-6. Only one number of the Journal, Part III, was issued for 1894.

The Budget Estimate of probable ordinary Receipts and Expenditure for 1895 has been fixed as follows:—Receipts, Rs. 16,844; Expenditure, Rs. 16,013.

On the Receipts' side, the estimate, under the head of "Subscriptions," has been reduced by Rs. 400, taking into account the unusual loss of Members during last year. "Interest on Investments" shows a reduction of Rs. 332, owing to the transfer of the Government Promissory Notes from the four per cent. to the 3½ per cent. loan. The amount of Rs. 500 not having been received during the year from the Government of Madras, the item under the head of "Government Allowances" has not been altered.

On the Expenditure side, the items of "Lighting," "Freight," and "Local Periodicals" have been slightly decreased. "Stationery" has been decreased by Rs. 50, the compilation of the Society's Library Catalogue being far advanced. The item of "Postage" has been reduced by Rs. 50; as the expenditure of last year has been smaller than usual. There is a reduction of Rs. 500 in the budget under the head of Journal, Part III, which provides only for printing charges. This sum has been distributed under the heads of "Postage," "Contingencies," and "Printing Circulars" to provide for such expenses in connection with the third part of the Journal.

Beyond the Auditor's fee no other extraordinary expenditure is anticipated during 1895.

The details of the Budget Estimate are as follows :-

		R	ECEIPTS.				
		10	JUNIE AU.		Rs.	As.	P.
Subscription	g		•••	***	7,000	0	0
Sale of Publ		18	•••	•••	400	0	0
Interest on I	nvestr	nents	***	•••	5,124	0	,0
Rent of Room	ns		• • •	1002-1000	720	0	0
Government	Allow	ances	***	•••	3,500	0	0
Miscellaneou	•••	•••	100	0	0		
			Total	•••	16,844	0	0
		Exp	Enditure.				
Salaries			• • •		3,400	0	0
Commission				***	400	0	0
Pensions			• • •		48	0	0
Stationery					100	0	0
Lighting				•••	40	0	0
Municipal To	xes			•••	819	0	,0
Postage	•••		•••	•••	600	0	.0
		Carz	ied over	•••	5,407	0	0

В	rought forward	•••	5,407	0	0
Freight	•••		10	0	0
Meetings	•••		80	0	0
Contingencies	***	• • •	150	0	0
Books	***		1,500	0	0
Local Periodicals	4+8		16	0	0
Binding	***	***	500	0	0
Journal, Part 1.	•••	***	2,100	0	0
" Part II.			2,100	0	0
" Part III.	444		3,000	0	0
Proceedings		• • •	1,000	0	0
Printing Circulars	s, &c	•••	150	0	0
	Total	•••	16,013	0	0

#### London Agency.

Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co. not having submitted their accounts with the Society during the year, nothing can be said about the sales made by them of the Society's publications, or of the amount due to or by the Society. No remittance was made to them during the year.

The number of copies of parts of the Journals, of the Proceedings, and of the Bibliotheca Indica, sent to the agents, during 1894 for sale, were 355, 180, and 90, valued @ £53-5-0d., £6-15-0d., and Rs. 92-8-0, respectively.

Eight invoices of books purchased, and of publications of various Societies sent in exchange, were received during the year. The value of the books purchased amounted to £67-13-10.

## Change of the London Agency.

From the beginning of 1895 the Council has transferred the London Agency of the Society,—from Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Coto Messrs. Luzac & Co.

## Continental Agency.

The number of copies of parts of the Journal, of the Proceedings, and of the Bibliotheca Indica, sent to Mr. Otto Harrassowitz, the Society's Continental Agent, during 1894 for sale, were 160, 2, and 213, valued @ £40-11-6, £0-1-6, and Rs. 122-12-0, respectively. Other books were sent for sale amounting to Rs. 18.

#### Library.

The total number of volumes, or parts of volumes, added to the Library during the year was 2,059, of which 610 were purchased and 1,449 presented, or received in exchange for the Society's publications.

In last year's Report it was stated that a new edition of the Society's Library Catalogue had been taken in hand, and the compilation had been entrusted to Mr. J. H. Elliott, the Assistant Secretary of the Society. On examination, it was found necessary to check the books with the present Catalogue. Two-thirds of the books have been carefully checked, and it is hoped before the close of the year the work will be accomplished.

#### Publications.

There were published, during the year, ten numbers of the "Proceedings" (No. 10 of 1893, and Nos. I to 9 of 1894), containing 157 pages of letter-press and 1 plate; four numbers of the Journal, Part I (No. 4 of 1893, and Nos. 1 to 3 of 1894), containing 218 pages of letter-press and 7 plates; four numbers of the Journal, Part II (No. 3 of 1893 and Nos. 1 to 3 of 1894), containing 290 pages of letter-press and 9 plates; two numbers of the Journal, Part III (No. 3 of 1893 and No 1 of 1894), containing 82 pages of letter-press and 6 plates. The Annual Address of the President was printed separately from the Proceedings, and contained 85 pages of letter-press. Indexes to the Journal, Parts I and II, for 1893, were also published.

#### Coin Cabinet.

During the year 70 coins were added to the Cabinet, of which 34 were of silver and 36 of copper. Of these coins 66 were acquired under the Treasure Trove Act. The remaining 4 were presentations from the Bombay Government under the Treasure Trove Act. The total comprises Moghuls (silver), 25; so-called Pathans (copper), 36; Bengal independent Sultans (silver), 2; Assamese (silver), 6; Jayantipur (silver), 1. They all belong to well-known, types and detailed notices of them will be found in the Society's Proceedings.

#### Office of Secretaries.

Dr. G. A. Grierson performed the duties of Philological Secretary and Editor of the *Journal*, Part I, till April, when he was absent on leave, and Dr. A. F. R. Hoerule took charge of the work.

Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh carried on the duties of Natural History Secretary and Editor of the *Journal*, Part II, till April, when he resigned, and Dr. A. W. Alcock was appointed. Dr. Alcock carried on the duties of the Anthropological Secretary and Editor of the Journal, Part III, till April, when he resigned, and Dr. Walsh was appointed. Dr. Walsh continued for one month, when he left India on furlough, and since the appointment has been vacant.

Mr. C. Little held the Treasurership from January to March, when he was absent on leave, and Mr. A. Pedler officiated for him as Treasurer.

Mr. C. R. Wilson carried on the duties of the General Secretary and Editor of the Proceedings during the year.

- Mr. J. H. Elliott continued Assistant Secretary and Librarian throughout the year.

There were no changes in the posts of Assistant Librarian, Cashier, Pandit, and Copyist, which were held by the permanent incumbents,—Bābu Yegeça Candra Chatterji, Bābu Nritya Gopāl Vasu, Pandit Harimolan Vidyābhāṣaṇa, and Babu Naṇi Lāl Mānnā.

#### Bibliotheca Indica.

Sixteen fasciculi were issued during the year, of which five were in the Arabic-Persian, one in the Tibetan, and ten in the Sanskrit series. They belong to nine different works. Three works came to a close, namely, the English translation of the Ain-i-Akbari, the Maāsir-ul-Umārā, and the ten Arabic poems.

The Philological Secretary exercises complete control over the pnblication. No new fasciculus was undertaken without his permission.

The expenditure of the Oriental Publication Fund during the year is Rs. 7,880-14-0. It includes the printing charges for 17 and editing charges for 14 fasciculi, giving the average Rs. 436 for each fasciculus. This leaves a balance of Rs. 8,368-9-9 to the credit of the Fund at the end of the year. Of this about Rs. 2,000 is already hypothecated for publications not yet paid for.

The following is a descriptive catalogue of publications issued during the year 1894:—

## A. ARABIC-PERSIAN SERIES.

1. Ain-i-Akbari, the constitutional history of the Mughal Empire in Akbar's time, by Abūl-Kazl, one of the great learned men of his court. The first volume of the work was translated by the late Mr. Blochmann, with notes. Since his death the work was in abeyance for a long time. Colonel H. S. Jarrett undertook the translation of the last two volumes at the request of the Council, and completed it before his retirement last year. The work is a complete Gazetteer of the Mughal Empire in Akbar's time and contains not only valuable historical and geographical information, but administrative details of immense value. Three fasciculi were issued during the year, namely, Vol. III., Fasc. III., IV., V., the last of which contains a complete index.

- 2. Maasiru-l-Umara, or a history of the Great Nobles of the Mughal Court during the first half of the eighteenth century, by Shah Nuwaa Khan. Ho played a conspicuous part in the affairs of the Deccan, and for his generous act of self-sacrifice, in saving the life of Nasir Jang, was obliged to live in concealment and obscurity for seven years, during which time ho wrote this great work. Three volumes of the work have been published, but without indicos. The index to the first volume appeared during the year under review in two fasciculi, Vol. I. Faso. X. and XI., under the Editorship of Maulvi Mirza Ashraf Ali.
- 3. A Commentary by Abū Zakaríā Yahyā At-Tibrīzī on the ten ancient Arabic poems, was completed during the year under review by C. J. Lyall, Esq., C.S., President of the Society. The poems all belong to a period before Mnhammad, but the Commentary is post-Muhammadan. The edition is based on MSS. at Cambridge, Leyden, and London.

#### B. SANSKRIT SERIES.

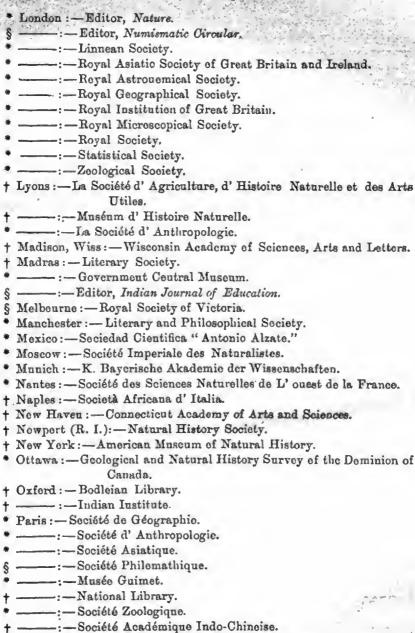
- 1. Aitaroya Brāhmaņa is after the Rig-veda, the oldest Vedio work known. It was published with an English translation, about 50 years ago, by M. Haug. Paṇdit Satyavrata Sāmaçramī has undertaken to publish the work with Sáyana's Commentary, references and indices. It has advanced by three fasciculi, Vol. I., Fasc. I., II., and III.
- 2. Crauta sutra of Cămkhāyana has advanced by one faseiculus only under the Editorship of Professor Dr. Alfred Hillebraudt of Breslau. It contains Varadattasuta Ānartīya's Commentary on one of the later chapters of the work. Vol. III., Faso. II.
- 3. Taittirīya Samhitā, or the Black Yajurveda, has changed hands. Mahāmahopādhyāya Maheça Candra Nyāyaratna, C.I.E., having resigned the Editorship, the work was made over to Paṇḍit Satyavrata Sāmaçramī, who has published one fasciculus only during the year under review, viz., Fasc. XXXVII.
- 4. Tattva-cintā-maṇi, by Gangeçôpádhyāya, who composed his great work on Logic and Philosophy about 750 years ago, with a view to dispel the darkness produced by heretics,—Pracanda-pāṣanda tamastitīr-ṣayā,—has advauced by one fasciculus only, namely, Vol. IV., Fasc. I. The fourth volume deals with the Cubdakhanda, i.e., the ovidential value of words or speech.
- 5. Vrhat Svayambhū Purāņa is the only Buddhist Purāņa known. It deals with the sacredness of various spots in the Svayambhū Kṣetra and other parts of the Valley of Nopal. It is a store-house of legends on Nepal Buddhism. It has advanced by three fasciculi under the Editorship of Pandit Haraprasād Çāstrī Fasc. I, II and III.

#### C. TIBETAN SERIES.

- 1. Avadāna Kalpalatā, by Kṣemendra, the great Kāçmīrī poet of the tenth century, published with a Tibetan translation to help the study of the latter language through the medium of Sanskrit, has advanced by two fasciculi under the joint Editorship of Bābu Çarat Candra Dās and Paṇḍit Harimohan Vidyābhūṣaṇa, namely, Vol. I., Fasc. IV., and Vol. II., Fasc. III. The two volumes are being published simultaneously.
- 2. Pag-Sam Thi Sin, a prose abstract of the above in modern Tibetan, has advanced by one fasciculus only under the distinguished Editorabip of Babu Çarat Candra Das, C.I.E., viz., Fasc. IV.
- List of all Societies, Institutions, &c., to which the Publications of the Asiatic Society have been sent during the year, or from which publications have been received.
- \* Societies, &c., which have received the Asiatic Society's publications, and have sent their publications in return.
- † Societies, &c., which have received the Asiatic Society's publications, but have sent none in return.
- § Societies, &c., whose publications have been received, but to which nothing has been sent in return.
- · Allahabad :- Editor, Pioneer.
- + Amsterdam :- Royal Zoological Society.
- \* ---:-Koninklijke Akademie van Wetenschappen.
- Augers:—Société d' Etudes Scientifiques d' Angers.
- · Baltimore :- Johns Hopkius University.
- · Batavia :- Society of Arts and Sciences.
- \* ----:-Kon Natuurkundige Vereeniging in Nederlandsch-Indiö.
- Berlin:—Gesellschaft Naturforschende Freuude zu Berlin.
- \* ----;-Royal Academy of Sciences.
- † Berne:-Société Suisse d' Entomologie.
- \* Bombay: -Bombay Anthropological Society.
- · --- :- Bombay Branch, Royal Asiatic Society.
- · ---: Editor, Indian Antiquary.
- · \_\_\_\_: Editor, Times of India.
- \* ----:-Natural History Society.
- \* Bordeaux:—L' Académie Nationale des Sciences, Belles-Lettres et Arts.
- \* \_\_\_\_\_ :-Société Linnéenne.
- + Boston :- Natural History Society.
- § ----: -American Oriental Society.
- · Brisbane:-Royal Society of Queensland.

- † Brookville :- Society of Natural History. \* Branswick:-Verein für Naturwissenschaft. † Brussels:-L' Académie Royale des Sciences. † ---:-Musée Royal d' Histoire Naturelle de Belgique. \* ---: - Société Entomologique de Belgique. + Budapest:-Hungarian Central Bureau for Ornithological Observations. \* ---: Royal Hungarian Academy of Sciences. + Buenos Ayres :- National Museum. . - Academia National de Ciencias de la Republica Argentina. \* Caen:—Société de Linnéenue de Normandie. † Calentta: - Agri-Horticultural Society of India. . - Geological Survey of India. • ---:-Editor, Englishman. · ---:-Editor, Indian Daily News. § -----:-Editor, Indian Engineer. § ---:-Editor, Indian Engineering. · -- :- Editor, Indian Mirror. · ----: Editor, Medical Reporter. · ---:-Indian Museum. § ---: Mahabodhi Society. † ---:-Mahommedan Literary Society. § ---:- Microscopical Society. § ----:-Photographic Society of India. \* ---:-Survey of India. · ---:-Tuttobodhini Sheva. · ---:-- University Library. \* Cambridge: - University Library. \* Cassel:-Der Verein für Naturkunde. † Cherbourg :- Société Nationale des Sciences Naturelles. \* Chicago, Ill.: - Editor, American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal. Christiana:—University Library. \* Colombo: - Ceylon Branch, Royal Asiatic Society. Copenhagen: —La Société Royale des Antiquaires du Nord. + Cuttack :- Cuttack Library. + Danzig:-Naturforschende Gesellschaft. Dehra Dun:—Great Trigonometrical Survey. \* Dresden :- Entomologischen Vereins "Iris." ----:-Königlichen Zoologischen und Anthropologisch-Ethnographischen Musenms zu Dresden.

- 20 Annual Report. \* Edinburgh :- Royal Society. 8 --- :- Royal Physical Society. + ----- Scottish Geographical Society. \* Florence :- Societá Italiana di Anthropologia, Etnologia e Piscologia Comparata. \* -- :- Societá Africana d'Italia. \* Frankfurt: - Senckenbergische Naturforschende Gesellschaft. \* ---: Naturwissenschaftlichen Vereins des Regierungsbezirks. \* Geneva :- Société de Physique et d' Histoire Naturelle. + Genoa :-- Museo Civico di Storia Naturale. † Giessen :- Oberhessische Gesellschaft für Natur und Heilkunde. \* Graz :- Naturwissenschaftlichen Verein für Styria. \* Hagne :- Köninklijk Instituut voor de Taal-Land-en Volkenkunde van Nederlansch-Indië. \* ---: - Netherlands Entomological Society. \* Hamburgh :- Naturhistoriches Museum zu Hamburgh. \* ---: Naturwissenchaftlichen Verein. + Halle: - Deutsche Morgenlandische Gesellschaft. \* ---: Kaiserlichen Leopoldinisch-Carlinische Akademie. \* Hamilton (Canada): - Hamilton Association. \* Havre :- Société de Géographie Commerciale du Havre. \* Helsingfors: - Societas pro Flora et Faunua Fennica. + ---- :- Société des Sciences de Finlande. § Ithaca (U. S. A.): - Cornell University. † Kiev: - Société des Naturalistes. \* Königsborg :- Die Physikalische-Oekonomische Gesellschaft. \* Lahore :- Editor, Civil and Military Gazette. + ---: - Agricultural Society. § Leipzig: - Dentsche Morgenlandische Gesellschaft. § ---: Der K. Sächsischen Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften. + Leyden : - Royal Herbarium. \* Liége: - Société Géologique de Belgique. + ---:- Société des Sciences. + Liverpool: - Literary and Philosophical Society. \* London : - Anthropological Institute. \* ---: -- Editor, Academy. \* \_\_\_\_: Editor, Athenœum. \* ---: British Museum.
- \* ---: Geological Society.
- \* ---: Institution of Civil Engineers.
- ....: Institution of Electrical Engineers.
- ....:- Institution of Mechanical Engineers.



---:-Museum d' Histoire Naturelle.

\* Pennsylvania: - University of Pennsylvania. · Philadelphia: - Academy of Natural Sciences. + - Editor, Journal of Comparative Medicine and Surgery. \* Pisa: - Société Toscana di Scienze Naturali. § Prague :- K. K. Sternwarte. § Rome: - Société degli Spettroscopisti Italiani. § Roorkee :- Editor, Indian Forester. \* St. Petersburgh : - Comité Géologique. + - :- Imperial Library. \* ---: Russian Geographical Society. \* ---: -- Académie Impériale des Sciences. † ---: Jardin Impériale de Botanique. § ---: Société Impériale de Mineralogique. San Francisco: — Californian Academy of Arts and Sciences. \* Santiago : - Deutsche Wissenchaftliche Vereines. § Schaffhausen :- Swiss Entomological Society. \* Shanghai: - China Branch, Royal Asiatic Society. + Simla: - United Service Institution of India. + Stettin: - Entomological Society. \* Stockholm :- Entomologische Tidskrift. \* ---: Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences. \* Sydney: - Royal Society of New South Wales. . \_\_\_\_: Linnean Society of New South Wales. § Taiping : - Government of Perak. \* Toronto: - Canadian Institute. \* Tokyo: - Imperial University of Japan. \* Trieste :- Société Adriatica di Scienze Naturale. t ---: - Museo Civico di Storia Naturale. \* Tring: - Zoological Museum. \* Turin : - Reale Accademia delle Scienze. + Ulwar :-- Ulwar Library. \* Vienna: - Anthropolgische Gesellschaft. \* ---:-K. K. Akademie der Wissenschaften. \* \_\_\_\_: K. K. Geologische Reichsanstalt. ---: -K. K. Naturhistoriche Hofmuseums. \* ----:-K. K. Zoologisch-Botanische Gesellschaft. † ----:-Ornithologische Verein. + Washington: - Commissioners of the Department of Agriculture. \* ---: - Smithsonian Institution. \* ---:- United States Geological Survey. § ---: United States National Museum.

\* Wellington : - New Zealand Institute.

- \* Wellington: Polynesian Society.
- \* Yokohama: Asiatic Society.
- ----: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Natur und Völkerkande Ostasiens.
- + Zagreb : Archeological Society.
- \* Zurich :- Naturforschenden Geschlsehaft.

#### ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL DURING 1894.

### February 1st, Ordinary Meeting.

On an application from the Librarian, Physical Economical Society of Königsberg, it was ordered that all the available publications of the Society wanting in their set should be supplied.

On the recommendation of the Natural History Secretary, it was agreed that the Society's Journal, Part II, should be exchanged for the publications of the Hungarian Central Bureau for Ornithelogical Observatious, Budapest.

The acceptance by Dr. A. W. Alcock of the duties of the Authropological Secretaryship, during the absence of the Hon. Mr. H. H. Risley, was recorded.

The request of Mr. F. E. Pargiter to continue the translation of the "Märkandoya Purāņa" was agreed to, and his name was placed on the Philological Committee.

On the recommendation of the Philological Committee, Surgeon-Major George Ranking was invited to continue the translation of "Muntakhabu-t-Tawarikh" for the Bibliotheca Indica, in the place of Major E. Noel, proceeding to England.

The grant for printing Major Raverty's article on The "Mihran of Sind and its Tributaries," as recommended by the Finance Committee, was included in the budget for 1894.

The budget of the expenses of the Bibliotheca Indica, drawn up by the Philological Committee for the year 1894, was approved.

In reply to an application from Pandit Madhusüdan Smritiratna, asking permission to edit the "Smriti-Candrikā" for the Bibliotheca Iudica, he was informed that the work had been approved by the Philological Committee and placed on the list of works sanctioned by the Council, but not taken in hand.

The question of filling up of vacancies in the Honorary Membership of the Society was referred to a Committee composed of Mr. C. J. Lyall, Mr. A. Pedler, Colonel J. Waterhouse, Dr. A. F. R. Hoernie, Dr. Alcock, and Mahāmahopādhyāya Maheça Candra Nyāyaratua.

The purchase of several books was sanctioned for the Society's

library.

On an application from the menial servants of the Society praying for slight increase of pay, owing to the scarcity of grain, the Secretary was empowered to make enquiries from the Bengal Secretariat and grant compensation on the same scale and for the same period.

The Treasurer was authorized to buy Government 4 per cent.

paper up to Rs. 10,000.

## March 1st, Ordinary Meeting.

The President, International Congress of Orientalists, Geneva, was informed, in reply to his letter, that the Society would endeavour to depute a representative, or representatives, to the meeting.

Surgeon-Major Ranking agreed to undertake the translation of

"Muntakhabu-t-Tawarikh" for the Bibliotheca Indica.

In reply to a letter from the Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Sixth International Geographical Congress at London, permission was readily given to place the name of the President of the Asiatic Society of Bengal on the list of Honorary Vice-Presidents of the Congress in 1895.

The purchase of several books for the Society's library was sanc-

tioned.

A snb-committee composed of Colonel Waterhouse and Colonel H. S. Jarrett was appointed to consider the question of repairing the Society's pictures, with power to invite the advice of Mr. E. V. Westmacott.

With reference to the council order, dated 31st August 1893, sanctioning the appointment of an assistant on Rs. 13, for six months, for the purpose of putting the stock in order, an extension of one month was approved.

The appointment of two bearers on Rs. 7 each, from 10th February 1894, in the stock-room, for the purpose of dusting and re-arranging the

books, was approved.

## March 29th, Ordinary Meeting.

The purchase of certain Persian manuscripts, at prices recommended by Colonel Jarrett, was agreed to.

An exchange of the Society's Journal, Part III, for the publications of the Bureau of Ethnology, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, was sanctioned.

On an application from Mr. E. Hartert, it was agreed that the

Proceedings of the Society, in addition to the Journal, Part II, already sanctioned, should be supplied in exchange for "Novitates Zoologicae."

On an application from the Under-Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Public Works Department, it was agreed, at a cost of £30, to subscribe for one set of Mr. W. Griggs's proposed portfolios containing photo-collotype reproductions of photographs selected from a valuable collection of negatives at the India Office, illustrating the architecture of India.

The purchase of several books for the Society's library was agreed to.

The exchange of certain coins with Dr. Hoernle was approved.

The payment of Rs. 286 to Mr. L. de Nicéville for drawings in colour of Butterflies for plates I-V, of the Society's Journal, Part II, of 1894, was agreed to.

The proceedings of the Philological Committee, regarding the revision of the system of transliteration used by the Society, were read and approved.

Read the correspondence on the subject of the cataloguing the coins of the Society by Mr. C. J. Rodgers of Amritsar. The Secretary's proposal that Mr. Rodgers should be offered five annas a coin for writing and editing a catalogue of the Society's coins was approved. It was ordered that the coins should be sent to Mr. Rodgers in groups, as arranged by Dr. Hoernle,—one group to be returned before another was sent.

With reference to the Council order, dated 1st March 1894, it was determined to retain the services of the assistant in charge of the stock-room for another three months.

The purchase of the manuscript of "Irshadu-z-Zeraat," price Rs. 20, from Bahadur Shah of Lahore, for the Society's library was approved.

Dr. Hoernle, Mr. G. A. Grierson, and Mr. C. Little were deputed to represent the Society at the 10th International Congress of Orientalists at Geneva in 1894.

It was agreed that Mr. A. Pedler should officiate as Treasurer during the absence of Mr. Little.

It was agreed that a third set of the Society's Asiatic Researches, Journal, and Proceedings should be bound for the Library.

## April 26th, Ordinary Meeting.

The Librarian of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters, in reply to his letter offering Volumes III to IX of their "Transactions," and asking for Journal, Part I, in exchange, was

informed that the volumes offered in exchange were already in the library, but that Volumes I and II were wanting. It was, therefore, ordered that Volumes LVI to LX of the Journal, Part II, should be sent.

A letter from the Secretary, Royal Society of London, on the feasibility of compiling a catalogue of scientific papers through International co-operations, was ordered to be circulated, with the President's remarks, to Council and to the Natural Science Committee.

With reference to an application from the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Madras Sauskrit and Vernacular Text Society, soliciting pecuniary aid, it was ordered that one copy each of the Vaijayanti of Yádavaprakāça (with Sanskrit-English Vocabulary) and Çákāttyana's Grammar (Sanskrit), with Prakriásangraha Commentary, should be purchased.

A letter from the Under-Secretary to the Government of Bengal, covering copy of a letter from the Government of India, Home Department, conveying sanction to the continuance, up to the end of the financial year 1894-95, of the present arrangement under which search is being carried on for Sanskrit Manuscripts by the Asiatic Society, was recorded.

Permission was granted to Dr. George Watt to copy some of the drawings of the late Dr. A. Barclay's from the Society's Journal.

Several books were ordered to be purchased for the Society's library.

The proposal that Dr. Alcock and Dr. Walsh should exchange Secretaryships was agreed to, and the new arrangement was ordered to be reported to the General Meeting.

At the suggestion of Dr. Alcock, Journal, Part III, was ordered to be supplied, in addition to Journal, Part II, already sanctioned, in exchange for the "Sitzungs-berichte der Gesellschaft Naturforschender Freunde zu Berlin," and an offer was made to exchange back volumes to complete the Society's set.

Read the minutes of the Council on a letter from the Superintendent, Baptist Mission Press, soliciting permission to be allowed to order the next batch of paper for the Journal from the Bally Paper Mills. It was resolved that in the printing of the Society's publications, Bally paper, extra quality, might be used at a reduced charge of three annas a page; but that the volumes of the Society's publications at present begun, must be completed with the same sort of paper.

Council resolved that Dr. Hoernle should act for Mr. Grierson as Philological Secretary, and that the appointment should be reported at the General Meeting.

On an application from the Provest of the University of Pennsylvania, an exchange of publications was sanctioned.

The question of repairing the Society's pictures and re-gilding the frames, as recommended by the Sub-Committee, was referred to the Finance Committee for report. If funds were available, the work of cleaning the pictures was ordered to be given to Mr. Palmer with instructions, that in cleaning he should not retouch any part of the picture without reference to the Sub-Committee.

The thanks of the Society were voted to Mr. Hoey for the presentation of a valuable copper-plate inscribed with Açoka characters. The gift was ordered to be reported at the General Meeting.

## May 31st, Ordinary Meeting.

The Council accepted the resignation of Dr. Walsh as Anthropological Secretary, and thanked him for his services.

Lord Elgin's acceptance of the office of Patron of the Society was ordered to be reported to the General Meeting.

It was ordered that a reply should be sent to the Royal Society of London, on the feasibility of compiling a catalogue of scientific papers through International co-operation, to the effect that there would be no difficulty in co-ordinating the Society's publications with other periodical publications in English, and that the Society would be prepared to make a moderate contribution to the maintenance of a bureau when the scheme took shape.

On the recommendations of the Physical Science Committee, the offer of Dr. Lawrence Fernandez to present the "Medical Reporter" from 1892 to date, and future issues, to the Society's library was accepted with thanks.

It was agreed, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that a sum of money up to a limit of one thousand rupees might, for the present, be spent on repairing the Society's pictures. The question of re-gilding the frames was deferred.

Copies of Wright's Comparative Grammar of the Semitic Languages and of Lacouperie's Western Origin of the Early Chinese Civilization were ordered to be purchased for the Society's library.

## June 28th, Ordinary Meeting.

The Honorary Central Secretaries, Indian Medical Congress, in reply to their letter asking the use of the Society's building for the accommodation of some of the sections of the Indian Medical Congress which was to be held in Calcutta from the 24th to 29th December 1894, were informed that the Society would be glad to put its rooms at the

disposal of the Congress, so far as they were not required at the time,

for the purposes of the Society.

The Superintendent, Baptist Mission Press, was allowed to charge three annas per page extra for the printing of the Journal, Proceedings, and Bibliotheca Indica, so long as English paper was used.

The Secretary to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department, in reply to his letter on the subject of the Archaeological Survey Department, was informed that the Asiatic Society of Bengal, would prefer not giving an opinion on such points as concern Bombay and Madras. It was ordered that the papers should be circulated to the Council and to Mr. V. A. Smith, Mr. G. A. Grierson, Mr. W. Hoev, Dr. L. A. Waddell, Dr. A. Führer, and Dr. M. A. Stein.

The resignation of Colonel Jarrett, as a Member of the Council and of the Society, was accepted with regret, and ordered to be an-

nounced at the General Meeting.

Council resolved that the services of the Anthropological Assistant, Kumad Bihārí Sāmanta, should be dispensed with for the present.

Permission was given to the Christian Literature Society, Madras, to reprint certain Upanisads from the Bibliotheca Indica on the same conditions as were granted to the Bombay Theosophical Publication Society.

The supply of Volumes VIII, IX and X of the "Notices" to the Benares Agent for the search for Sanskrit mannscripts was agreed to.

At the suggestion of the Philological Secretary it was agreed that a fee varying from eight annas to one rupee should be paid to the Newari Pandit at the Residency, Nepal, for making copies with translations of some dated Newari inscriptions which had been found in Nepal.

## July 26th, Ordinary Meeting.

Messrs. Luzac & Co., in reply to their application for the Agency of the Society, were offered it on the terms previously framed in the case of Messrs. Constable & Co.

The thanks of the Society were voted to Pandit Caudra Kānta Tarkālankāra for the presentation of the manuscripts of "Kusumānjali Vyākhyā," "Tattvāvali" and "Vaicesika bhāsya" to the Society's library.

· With reference to an application from the President and Secretary to the Nagri Pracharini Sabha of Benares, to the Government of India, Home Department, praying that the Society would publish a list of such Hindí books as might be found among the Sanskrit books, the Government of India was informed that the Society would be glad to comply with their request.

The minntes of the Council were read on a memorandum by the Treasurer, on the subject of the compulsory conversion of the 4 per cent. loan of 1842-43 and the optional conversion of the other 4 per cent. loans of the Society's investments, in accordance with notification in the Gazette of India, dated 30th June 1894. It was ordered that the sum of Rs. 700 now held in the 4 per cent. loan of 1842-43 be converted, but that no steps should be taken with regard to the loans of 1854-55 and 1865.

## August 30th, Ordinary Meeting.

A copy of Sir W. W. Hunter's Bengal MS. Records, Volumes I to IV, price 30 shillings, was purchased for the library.

With reference to Mr. H. Beveridge's suggestion on the subject of publishing the translation of "Akbar-Namah," the Philological Committee agreed that a revised and annetated edition of Lieutenant Chalmers' translation of the "Akbar-Namah" should be published. Mr. Beveridge was requested to obtain the formal consent of the Royal Asiatio Society of Great Britain and Ireland to edit the MS. translation of Lieutenant Chalmers which is in their possession, and to transmit their consent to the Society.

Council resolved that the entire investments held in the 4 per cent. loan should be converted into the new 3½ per cent. loan.

## September 27th, Ordinary Meeting.

A copy of the portrait of the late Major-General Sir Alexander Cunningham was purchased for the Society.

The offer of Mr. J. G. Delmerick of a copy of the manuscript of "Tarikh-Muzaffari" in exchange for Vols. II and III of Colonel Jarrett's translation of the "Ain-i-Akbari," Major Raverty's "Tabaqat-i-Nasiri" and translation of "Badouni," was approved.

Paṇḍit Harimohan Vidyābhūṣaṇa, the Paṇḍit of the Society, was granted leave for one month owing to ill-health; and as his substitute, Paṇḍit Annadāprasād Sarasvati was accepted.

## November 1st, Ordinary Meeting.

On an application from the Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, it was ordered that, as far as possible, the Society's publications wanting in their set should be supplied.

Several books were ordered to be purchased for the Society's library.

The acceptance of Messrs. Luzac and Co. of the Agency of the Seciety on the terms offered to them was recorded.

### November 29th, Ordinary Meeting.

Permission was given to Dr. Friedrich Schwally to borrow the Arabic manuscript "Kitabul Mahasiuwal Masawi," from the Society's library, on the guarantee of the University of Strassburg.

On an application from the Secretary, Koniuklijk Institunt voor de Taal-Land-En Volkenkunde van Nederlandsch-Indië, it was agreed that Journal, Parts I and II, should be sent in exchange for their "Bijdragen." The Society's publications for the last ten years were ordered to be supplied.

It was resolved that Mr. Lyall should be asked to continue to hold the office of President of the Society till February, when the term

of his office expires.

In consequence of the request of the Natural History Secretary for a special grant of £68-11-0 to meet the bill from Messrs. West, Newman, & Co. for the five Chromo-Lithograph plates of butterflies, issued in the Journal, Part II, No. 3 of 1894, it was resolved that in future no more than the third of the annual budget grant should be spent on plates; and that for the 1894 Journal, Part II will consist of the three numbers already published.

The Secretary was directed to forward the report of the Philological Secretary on the subject of the conservation of Sanskrit manuscripts to the Government of India, and to represent the desirability of

continuing the grant for a further period of 5 years.

It was ordered that two copies of Dr. Grierson's Modern Vernacular Literature of Hindustan be lent to the Society's agents for the search of Sanskrit manuscripts from the reserve copies in stock.

The purchase of several books for the Society's library was sanctioned.

## December 28th, Ordinary Meeting.

Permission was given to Dr. Bruno Liebech to borrow the manuscript of the "Candra Vyākaraņa" from the Society's library on the guarantee of the University of Breslau.

In continuation of the Council order of the 28th June, it was agreed that a reply should be sent to the Government of India, to the effect that the Society was not in a position to assume control of the Archaeological Survey in Bengal, and that it recommended the adoption of the Lieutenant-Governor's proposal to appoint an Archaeological Officer under the Bengal Government.

The Report having been read, the Chairman invited the meeting to put any questions, or to offer any remarks, which any member might think necessary in connection therewith.

No remarks having been offered, the Chairman moved the adoption of the Report. The motion was unanimously carried.

The CHAIRMAN then read the Report of the Trustees of the "Elliott Prize for Scientific Research."

Report on the " Elliott Prize for Scientific Research."

The subject selected for the Prize in 1894 was Natural History. The Trustees have received one Essay in that subject; but it has been decided, after consulting experts as provided in the scheme, that the Essay sent in is not of sufficient merit to justify the award of the Prize.

For the Trustees,

A. CROFT,

Vice-Chancellor of the Calcutta University, and Director of Public Instruction, Bengal.

Calcutta, the 30th January 1895.

The CHAIRMAN announced that the Scrutineers reported the result of the Election of Officers and Members of Council to be as follows:—

#### President :

A Pedler, Esq., F.R.S.

Vice-Presidents:

Sir A. W. Croft, M.A., K.C.I.E. The Hon. Sir C. A. Elliott, K.C.S.I., C.I.E. Colonel J. Waterhouse, B.S.C.

#### Secretaries and Treasurer:

Dr. G. A. Grierson, C.S., C.I.E. Dr. A. W. Alcock, C.M.Z.S. C. R. Wilson, Esq., M.A. Paṇḍit Haraprasād Çāstrí, M.A. C. Little, Esq., M.A.

## Other Members of Council:

Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle.

Mahāmahopādhyāya Maheça Candra Nyāyaratna, C.I.E.

J. Mann, Esq., M.A.

Bābu Pratāpa Candra Ghosa, B.A.

Dr. D. D. Cunningham, F.R.S., C.I.E.

Shams-ul-ulama Moulvie Alumud.

C. L. Griesbach, Esq., C.I.E. IF.G.S.

Dr. G. Ranking.

The meeting was then resolved into the Ordinary General Meeting. A. Pedler, Esq., F.R.S., PRESIDENT, in the Chair.

The CHAIRMAN before taking his seat said: "Before proceeding to the business of the Ordinary General Meeting, I have to express my sense of the great honour which this Meeting has conferred upon me, in electing me to the office of President of this Society. When I was asked by the Council to allow my name to be put forward. I felt considerable diffidence in consenting to the request, for I am much afraid I shall not be able to do full justice to the traditions of the responsible post of President, a post which has been held previously by so many distinguished men. I can only hope that during the tenure of my office the prosperity of the Society will not in any way be diminish-I am sure I cannot make a better use of my position, in the first instance, than by asking the Meeting to express their thanks to the late President, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, and Council, for the time and care which they have bestowed on the affairs of the Society during the past year. Only one who has served as an officer of the Society can fully appreciate the labour and responsibility which falls upon the Secretaries, charged as they are with editing its publications. From personal experience I can say that it means about two hours daily work-work which cannot be overlooked or delegated to others. I, therefore, propose a vote of cordial thanks to the Council and Secretaries of the year 1894."

(The vote of thanks was carried unanimously.)

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Thirty-four presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next Meeting:—

- A. F. M. Abdur Rahman, Esq., Barrister-at-Law (for re-Election); proposed by Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.
- P. C. Rāya, Esq., D. Sc., Edin; proposed by A. Pedler, Esq., seconded by C. Little, Esq.

Bābu Rājeçvara Mitra, P. W. D., Raipur, C. P.; proposed by P. N. Bose, Esq., seconded by R. C. Dutt, Esq.

J. C. Bose, Esq. B. Sc.; proposed by A. Pedler, Esq., seconded by C. Little, Esq.

The Secretary reported the death of the following corresponding member:-

A. Von Krämer, Esq., Alexandria.

The PRESIDENT read the following letter:-

No.  $\frac{206}{6}$ .

FROM

E. D. MACLAGAN, Esq., C. S.,

Under-Secretary to the Government of India,

To

THE HONORARY SECRETARY,

Asiatio Society of Bengal.

Department of Rovenue and Agriculture. (Arch. & Epi.)

Calcutta, the 21st January, 1895.

SIR

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter, No. K-7, dated the 5th instant, I am directed to convey the thanks of the Government of India to the Asiatic Society of Bengal for the care with which it has considered the questions referred to it regarding the work of the Archeological Survey of India, and for the full expression of its opinion contained in your letter, which will materially assist the Government of India in the disposal of the subject.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant.

E. D. MACLAGAN,

Under-Secretary.

The President also read a letter from the Hon. Mahāraja Pratāp Narain Singh, forwarding certain Sanskrit books published by him, as a presentation to the Society's Library.

The President laid on the table the Budget of expenses on the Bibliotheca Indica for 1895, drawn up by the Philological Committee and approved by the Council.

PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE PHILOLOGICAL COMMITTEE OF THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL.

Held on Friday, February 1st, 1895.

#### PRESENT:

Mahāmahopādhyāya Maheça Caudra Nyāyaratua. G. A Grierson, Esq., Ph.D., C.I.E., Hon. Phil. Secy.

Pandit Haraprasad Çastri.

Dr. A. F. Rudolf Hoernle.

Major R. Temple, C.I.E.

C. R. Wilson, Esq.

We recommend that the following Budget for the "Bibliotheca Indica" for the year 1895 be approved:—

#### BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 1895.

RECEIPTS.	R9.	AS.	P.	DISBURSEMENTS. RS.	AS.	P.
Balanco in hand	8,300	0	0	Tattva-oistāmaņi 600	0	0
Government grant for 1895	9,000	0	0	Svayambliū-purāņa 1,050	0	0
			_	Tul'si-sat'sai 800	0	0
1	17,300	0	0	Brhad-dharma-purana 600	0	0
-			_	Pag-Sam-Thi-S'in 5.0	0	0
				Mārkandēya-purāņa 600	0	0
				Nyāya-vārttikā 900	0	0
				Kalpalatā 1,350	0	0
				Caturyarga-cintamani 600	0	0
				Taittiriya-samhitä 600	0	0
				Cranta-sütra of Çümkhayana 700	0	0
			1	Nyāyakusumānjali 300	0	0
				Ma'asira-l-Umara 400	0	-0
				Aitarēya-brāhmaņa 2,400	0	0
				Muntakhabu-t-tawarikh 600	0	0
Note-				Sher Phyin 1,600	0	0
No account has been to				Translation of the Akbarnama 600	0	0
sale proceeds of books, as	they	COV	er	Atharvana-upanisads 300	0	0
the establishment, postage,	and	oth	er	Smrti-candrika 600	0	0
charges.				Kāla-vivēka 600	0	0
			- 1	Uttarādhyayana-sūtra or Nātā-		
				dhamma-kathā-sūtta as may		
			ĺ	be arranged 300	0	0
				Apastamba-grauta-sütra 350	0	0
				Samkhya-pravacana-bhasya 600	0	0
				Padmāvai 300	0	0
			- 1	Apubhāşya 300	0	0
				17,050	0	0

The Smrti-candrikā and Kala-virēka are new issues in the series, and should only be published, if ancient MSS. are available to the satisfaction of the Philological Committee.

The Caturvarga-cintāmani should not be continued, unless the editors can satisfy the Philological Committee that suitable MSS. are available.

We recommend that Cribhasya be removed from the list, as a good edition has been published in Benares.

The following books have been stopped for various reasons:— Lalita-vistara (English Translation).

Sucreta.

The following list of works sanctioned and approved by the Council, but not taken in hand, has been drawn up in order of urgency:—

- 1. Hiranya-kēçī-sūtra (Çrauta).
- 5. Tawarikh-i-Yamini.
- 2. Baudliayana-sütra (Çranta).
- 6. Tawarikh-i-Wassaf.

3. Vipāka-sūtra.

- 7. Taju-l-Ma'aşir.
- 4. Saddharma-pundarika,
- 8. Naqa'idu-l-farazdaq wa Jarir.

9. Karana-grantha.

11. Yājñavalkya-gitā.

 Bhattötpala's Commentary 12. Caraka. on the Brhat-sambitā.

The President announced that Dr. G. A. Grierson had returned from leave and had taken charge of the Philological Secretaryship from Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle.

The Philological Secretary read the following correspondence regarding Mr. Irvino's article on Guru Göbind Singh and Bandah, which appeared in the Journal, Vol. LXIII, Part I, pp. 110 and ff.

Amritsar, 19th November 1894.

(1) Letter from Mr. Rodgers to Mr. Irvine.

Mr Dear Sir,

I have read the paper you wrote on Gobind Singh and Bandah with much interest. I have not the authorities you use, so do not know the contents of any of the books.

I noted some slight inaccuracies which I am going to point out to you, simply because I like all works on the Paujab to be accurate.

Journal, p. 129. Amritsar is 32 miles almost due east of Lahore, not 40 miles north of the capital.

Pago 133. Sadhaura is not on a steep hill. The banks of the nadi are just a little elevated. Page 122. The name of the faqir whose tomb is there to this day, is فيف not فيف. I spent a week there when Archæological Surveyor. General Cunningham's description (Rep. Arch. Survey xiv., 72) of it is full of errors. You did not nso him. The country round is flat but intersected with river beds. I heard nothing then of Löligarh.

Page 134. No coins were struck at Löhgarh. I have made enquiries and no one ever heard of such coins. They were struck at Anandgarh (spolt on the rupees النَّذُ كُبُرَةً). This is Auandpur I believe of the present day.

The conplet you give, as having been on these coins, I have never seen. There is one with it. The couplet is variously given. In my paper I made a shot at it. I examined thousands of Sikh rupees for my paper. Since I wrote it I have come across Pind Dadan Khan rupees with mint name if salt, on them, for Pind Dadan Khan. I have also got a super rupee. In coppor I have also seen some novelties, notably some coins bearing the name of Dalip Singh.

As I am always searching for novelties in Sikh coins and must see some thousands every year, I do not think it possible that any coins were here struck by Banda.

The earliest Sikh coins in existence are the rupees of Lahore, struck in 1822, Samuat, or 1765 A.D. But you may have some authority for your statement which I have not seen. I distrust all native authorities on coins, as they write without seeing a rupee or mohar.

Page 123. I notice also that the position of Banur is given as some ten to twelve miles north-east of Sirhind. It is E. by S. of Sirhind, about 20 miles

I have been all over this part of the Punjab, and at Banur, Sirhind. aud Sadhaura (not Sadhaura).

> I am. Yours sincerely, C. J. RODGERS.

(2) Mr. Irvine's reply. MT DEAR RODGERS,

12th December 1894.

I am very much obliged, indeed, to you for your letter of the 19th November. Such comments founded on local knowledge are quite invaluable. My own endeavour is to secure absolute accuracy, but, as I daresay you know by experience, it is almost impossible to attain it. I have no personal knowledge of the Punjab, and have to depend on others, on books, and on maps, and I need hardly tell you what hard work it is to identify the names of men, or the situation of places. I was introduced to one of the fagir family at Lahore, a retired Extra Assistant Commissioner, and he wrote once giving me help in Lahore topography, but he did not continuo as he began, for he never answered my second letter, and I have heard that he died not long ago. I wish I had thought of you. I have still a lot of matter into which Lahore and the Paujab enter. If I ever address you a question or two, I hope you will not think it too great a trespass on your time. I will just make a remark or two on the points you raise.

First-As to the topography. The truth is, I left this for revision, from end to end of my work until I had finished; intending when I printed (alas! when?) to uso the Imperial Gazetteer, the Indian Atlas. Cunningham, and the Provincial Gazetteer, as I thought if I took up the subject separately I should be less likely to overlook anything. When I wrote out this extract for the Press, I worked up the geography piece-meal, and did not give it a final revision.

Amritsar. - Distances taken by measurement from a small-scale map are likely to be out. That is how I got 40 miles instead of 32 miles. How I got N. instead of E. I do not know, unless it was by trusting to that treacherous thing, memory. There is a little N. in the direction, though, is there not?

Sadhaurah.—G. Forster, who passed through it, says: "A village on a high hill of steep ascent (I. 235);" so you see that you may go wrong even in copying from an eye-witness. As all my authorities spell المادهون I think I was right in putting Sādhaurah, but I notice Forster has Sudhowra, which represents I suppose a short a. I will put, in a note, the modern pronunciation on your anthority. I find I first had Shāh Qamīn نعني , but finding Faiz نعني in the printed text of the Ma'āṣiru-l-umarā (I. 830) I assumed that the Native (Calcutta) Editor, being himself a Mahomedan, knew the correct name of the Saint, so I rejected the previous reading taken from the Mirāt-i-Wāridāt. I will get out Cunningham, and note what he says about Sadhaurah.

Banur .- I will correct this.

Second-Corns. That you have never seen a coin of Bandah's is of course a presumption, -a strong presumption our may even say-that no such coin ever existed. But to use the legal distinction, there is a difference between evidence and proof. Even if no such coin now exists anywhere on the face of this globe, that is not proof that no such coin ever did exist. And in this iustance, I see no sufficient reason for rejecting the statement which I have found in my authority. My authorities for this Sikh episode in 1710 are, (1) Kamwar Khan, (2) Warid, (3) Mirzā Muhammad, (4) Muhammad Ihsan Ijad. I do not know when the first was born or when he died (his death must have been after 1137 H.), but he was alive in 1710 and present at Sadhaurah and Löhgarh, being then Mirsaman, or Chamberlain, to Rafi'u-sh-Shan, the third son of Bahādur Shāh. Wārid was one Muhammad Shafi', born at Nudinah, or Nagiuah (now in the Bijnör District) in 1087 H. He professes to recollect what happened from 1100, and he went on writing up to 1152 H. When he died I do not know. . He lived at Delhi from about 1124 H. under the protection of Bairam Khan, a noble of good descent. Mirza Muhammad was born in 1098 H., was alive in 1152 H., and probably did not die till after 1163 H. He also was in Bahadur Shah's camp at Sudhaurah in 1122 .- But the statement as to the coin rests on the fourth authority. that of the Farrukh Shah Namah of Muhammad Ihsan Ijad. The following are the reasons why I accept him :-

- 1. He was a contemporary.
- 2. He wrote very near the time—he mentions corrections made by Farrukhsiyar in the events of 1129 H. Farrukhsiyar was killed in 1131 H., so the corrections took place before that year; and as the events of 1129 H. had been recorded, it is to be presumed that the

earlier passage, where the Sikh coin is spoken of, was in existence then, and had been already written. Ijād himself died in 1133—so says Ghulām 'Alī Arad (Khirānah-i-'Amirah, litho. text, p. 28). His work was therefore in existence at the most within 11, probably within 6 or 7 years after 1122 H., the year when Bandah first rose.

3. Ijād was a native of Samānah, Sirkār Sirhind, and therefore likely to be specially interested on the Sikh rising, and to have friends

to supply him with information.

4. He was the official historiographer, and as such, supplied with all the official reports (Wāqi'ahs) and news letters (Sawānihs).

5. The statement as to the coin is not in itself improbable, and I

see no object to be gained in inventing such a statement.

You will note that the word Löhgarh is not said to have been on the coin. Perhaps, if you looked again through your coins, you might find one with "Zarb ba Amanu-d-dahr, Maswarat-shahr."

I have never seen Namak used as the name of a place, though

apparently Namak sar was-it was the name of the salt mines.

I have not knowingly shirked any difficulty, but have rather made it my object to bring out details and localize as much as possible. As to Sadhaurah, it was quite easy to evade being wrong by saying, "the tomb of a Saint having some local repute;" but I prefer to be precise, although I thereby run the risk of an inaccuracy. Again thanking yon,

I am,

Yours very truly,
WM. IRVINE.

Extract from Letter from Mr. Rodgers to the Philological Secretary.

AMRITSAR, 20th January 1895.

MY DEAR SIR,

Sikhism and the coinage of the Sikhs have been pet studies of mine. On reading Mr. Irvine's paper I went into the city to enquire about these Löhgarh rupees that he mentions. Not one of the moneyohangers here had ever heard of them. I have never seen one. I travelled over the whole of the eastern part of the Amballa district, and I searched for coins in every bazaar. I see thousands of Sikh rupees every yoar, but as yet no Löhgarh rupee has been seen by me.

The fact, however, that I have not seen one, is no argument for

their non-existence. Just lately I have come across-

(1.) A new type of rupee of Qutbu-d-Din Mubarak Shah, struck at Daru-l-Islam, 717 H.

(2.) A rupee of Rafi'u-d-Darajat, with the word مادگر instead of بعروبر

(3.) A gold mohar of Zainu-l-'Abidin, of Kashmir, dated 851.

This is in lovely preservation, and is the only one known.

(4.) A dam of Akbar's, struck at Kālānaur, the place where he was crowned.

(5.) A half-dam of Ibrahim Sur,-the only one known.

I never expected to find any one of these coins. So it may happen that some day I may come across a rupee of Löhgarh.

You are at liberty to print my letter to Mr. Irvine, and to use as much of this as you like.

I am,
Yours sincerely,
CHAS. J. RODGERS.

The GENERAL SECRETARY read a letter from Mohanto Omrao Giri Gossain asking for the return of the two Tibetan MSS, entitled "Lam Rim Chhen-po" and "Rdorje Hohhaû Chhenpehi Lam Gyi Rim-pa," the presentation of which was announced in the Society's Proceedings for January 1892, and announced that the Council had accordingly ordered the MSS, to be returned.

The Hon. Sie C. A. Elliott, Vice-President, exhibited a copy of the Tibetan block-print volume entitled "DoKalzang."

BABU ÇARAT CANDRA DAS read the following note on the above:-

In examining the Tibetan manuscripts and xylographs contained in the Asiatio Society's Library, I have found a very old manuscript volume of "Dokalzang." Its leaves are almost all worm-eaten with the exception of the title-page, which is in a fair state of preservation. The title-page begins with two ernamental letters, called "yig-go," or the anspicious head letters, followed by two perpendicular strokes meaning full points. Then in Tibetan character is written the following :-"Rgyā-gar skad-du Āryā Bhadra Kalpikāuāma Mahāyāna Sûtra." In the language of India, the sacred Mahayana aphorism, called the "Glorious Age." The text of this manuscript volume is full of mistakes. block-print volume belonging to the Hon'ble Sir Charles Elliott is a correct edition. It is probably one of the earliest impressions taken from the stereotyped wooden boards that were prepared in 1726 A.D., under the orders of King Miwaug. Since then no other edition of this work has appeared in Tibet. When I visited the great Printing Establishment of Narthang, near Tashilhumpo, in 1879, I found that the engraving on the wooden blocks of the Kahgyur had almost become worn out. Recent impressions from them must, therefore,

be very indistinct. "Dokalzang" is considered holiest among the 108 volumes of the Kahayur collection, on account of its containing the names of 1,005 Buddhas of the present Kalpa, a forecast of future Buddhism and its power for leading humanity to the state of Bodhi. or Enlightenment. There is a small picture at each end of the title-page. [See Plate No. I.] One of them is Buddha Cakva Muni with a disc of Saint's glory of blue light round his head, and the other is Maitreva, the coming Buddha. On the back of these two figures of Buddhas there are two rainbows shewing their celestial position. An equal number of disciples and followers attend them both. In the picture of Cakya Muni his two disciples. Căriputra and Mand Galvavana, are offering him food from their alms-bowls. Ananda, his personal attendant, is waiting for orders and Sublinti is standing in a devotional mood to note down whatever may drop from his lips in the way of instruction. An Indian king with his wife and child sits on the floor at the foot of Buddha's seat, in auxions expectation of hearing his sermons. The ebild is looking to the father for wisdom who is dressed in blue typifying worldliness. The Tibetan artist having no idea of the dress of an Indian Rani has made the queen look like the wife of a Dokpa chieftain of Northern Tibet. In the picture of Maitreya, his disciples are offering him burnt inconse, and a basket full of gems, gold and silver. A Tibetan highlander, sitting on his knees, with his wife and child, is offering him a large blue gem, called Indra Nila. The child is looking to his mother in love for love. The father is dressed in yellow shewing more of religion. The coming Buddha Maitreya - the personification of love - will bring the Mahayana Buddhism to perfection. He can, therefore, accept gold and silver. Buddha Çûkya Muni was an ascetic, and called Mahā Cramana of the highest order, he having absolutely renounced the world. and preached the Cravaka doctrine of perfect poverty, and not touch gold. silver. &c. In some pictures and wood engravings of Tibet. Maitreva. the coming Buddha, is seated on a chair - a posture which is evidently foreign to India. As the Mahayana School of Buddhism obtained its highest development in the Bactian Empire of the Greeks, which included in it Kashmir, Cabul, Kandahar, Herat, and the valley of the Oxus, &c., it is probable that from there the Light of the East was transmitted Westward, or that Christianity was foreshadowed in Sanskrit Buddhist works. The similarity of Christianity to Mahayana Buddhism is striking and Maitreya, the coming Messiah of the Buddhists, who is now the Regent of the Lord in Heaven, called Tushita, will come to this Earth to make all mankind blessed and glorious.

The two pictures represent the two stages in the spiritual progress of Humanity. The first picture shows a condition of progressive self-

control; the process of self-purification is still at so early a stage that the external conditions of the individual have to be carefully adjusted to his weak condition. He is an ascetic, denies himself abundance of food, he inhabits the woods, and carefully and sorupulously lives a life away from the haunts of men; thus he flies from temptations because temptations may overcome him. So in primitive Humanity the conditions of life are simple. The second picture typifies a higher state of self-control and inner development. The previous discipling has borne fruit, and the ascetic no longer requires to live in the woods or monasteries. At the time of Buddha, or of Christ, a new era was inaugurated when the children of God "live in the world though not of it." Surrounded by temptations of every kind the present and future ascetic maintains his firm hold upon the inner life, unmoved and without attachment. Thus the two pictures show forth the law of evolution as it affects and powerfully modifies the growth of character and development of religion itself, or of the Human capacity to receive spiritual revolations.

The following papers were read :-

1. Description of a new Lathraea from the Eastern Himalaya,—By Surgeon-Captain H. A. Cummins, Army Medical Staff. Communicated by the Natural History Secretary (Postponed from last Meeting.)

2. Notes on the bleaching action of light on colouring matters, -By ALEXANDER PEDLER, Esq., F.R.S., &c.

The papers will be published in the Journal, Part II.

3. On changes in the course of the Kusi River, and the probable dangers arising from them,—By F. A. SHILLINGFORD, Esq.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part 1.

Sir Charles Elliott said:—"The paper, as far as it has been explained to us by Dr. Grierson, is open to criticism on many points. The past history of the Kusi river is uncertain. It is admitted that it originally flowed in an easterly course, and has gradually reached its present position where it flows almost direct south from the gorge through which it debouches from the Himalayas. But why should not the swing of the pendulum continue till it is deflected as much to the west as it ever was to the east? There seems to be no evidence adduced to show that, the river has reached its westernmost position, or to show that if it has, it will return violently from a direct southern to an extreme eastern course, instead of doing so gradually. Neither has anything been said about the well-known theory of the westering of rivers in the Northern Hemisphere which, so far as it is a true theory, would lead us to expect the river to trend in a westerly, not an

easterly direction. However, the course of the Knsi river has been receiving the attention of Government and of the Public Works Department, and I wish that the Secretary, Mr. Odling, had been here this evening to give the meeting the benefit of his knowledge and experience. A special engineer was deputed during the past rainy season to study the river. His investigation is at present incomplete. The river Kusi commences to spill at Bedra in Nepaul. No material change is reported to have occurred in its course since the year 1889, when the main stream came over from the western side of the river, a little north of the place mentioned. The stream, at present, is on the eastern side of the bed, and there are no indications of any immediate change. Some caution is necessary in expressing an opinion as to the future, as it is commonly said that the only certain theory about the river Kusi is that it will behave in a way totally different from what has been predicted. There is a beavy spill on the eastern bank of the river which does considerable damage, large areas of land, mostly however in Nepaulese territory, having been thrown out of cultivation during the last five years. It seems that it is mainly the land owners in the district who are apprehensive; the railway engineers entertain no fears on the subject. Still if any measures could be suggested which would commend themselves to experts as undoubtedly tending to secure the district of Purneah against the possible vagaries of the river at a reasonable expense, the Government would be glad to do what it could. It is hardly necessary to say that, as in all similar cases, the objects of the promoters of embaukment schemes are, in themselves, so good, that it is impossible not to sympathize with them. The advantages resulting from an embankment are usually immediate and obvious. But there is scarcely a case, in Bengal at least, where it has not happened that in the course of years the difficulties and not unfrequently dangers cansed by embankments have become so great that their removal has become a question of discussion. In the case of the Damoodah and Goomti rivers this step became a pressing necessity and has been carried out. At the same time it must be remembered that changes in the course of a river arise from the most trivial causes. such as the occurrence of a snag in the stream, or its meeting a slightly harder bed of clay or kunkar."

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#### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR MARCH, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 6th March, 1895, at 9-15 P. M.

ALEX. PEDLER, Esq., F.R.S., President, in the chair.

The following members were present:-

F. Finn, Esq., Dr. G. A. Grierson, A. Hogg, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, J. Mann, Esq., Dr. F. P. Maynard, Dr. D. M. Moir, Pandit Haraprasad Çastri, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Twenty-six presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

A. F. M. Abdur Rahman, Esq.

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The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

The Hon. Mr. J. A. Bourdillon (for re-election), proposed by A.

Pedler Esq., seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

J. H. Gilliland, Esq., proposed by A. Pedler, Esq., seconded by C. Little, Esq.

The Rev. J. L. Peach, M. A., proposed by A. Pedler, Esq., seconded by T. D. Beighton, Esq.

The SECRETARY read the names of the following gentlemen who had been appointed to serve on the various Committees for the present year:--

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Dr. G. Watt.

The Philological Secretary read a circular from the Secretary, Nagarī Prachāriņī Sabhā, Benaves, onumerating prizes for essays on certain subjects in Hindi. This can be seen in the Society's Office.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY exhibited four Arabic tombstones, sent by Surgeon-Major Brazier-Creagh from an old cemetery in the Kosh

Valley under the lofty Tuftan active volcano in Eastern Persia. The first, second, and fourth stones were andesites, and the third limestone.

The following papers were read :-

1. Third Instalment of Indian Folk-lore Beliefs about the Tiger.— By Babu Carat Candra Mittea, M.A., B.L. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part III.

2. Errata and Addenda to Blochmann's Translation of the Ain-i-Akbari.—By Mrs. Henry Beveringe. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

3. Contributions to the theory of Warning Colours and Mimicry, No. 1.—By F. Finn, Esq., B.A., F.Z. S.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

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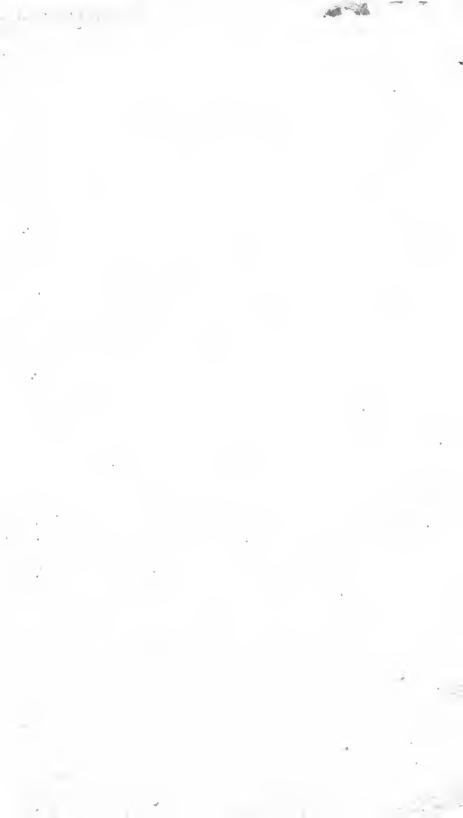
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#### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR APRIL, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 3rd April, 1895, at 9-15 P. M.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL GEORGE RANKING, M.D., in the Chair.

The following members were present:-

Dr. A. W. Alcock, F. Finn, Esq., His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. P. Goethals, Dr. G. A. Grierson, Kumar Rameçvar Müliä, J. Mann, Esq., C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Fourteen presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

The Hon'ble Mr. J. A. Bourdillon (re-elected).

J. H. Gilliland, Esq.

The Rev. J. L. Peach, M. A.

The following gentleman is a candidate for election at the next meeting:—

Maulavie Abdus Salam, M.A., Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, proposed by Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, seconded by Dr. G. A. Grierson.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

A. S. Lovelock, Esq.

The Secretary reported the death of the following Honorary Members:-

Major-General Sir H. C. Rawlinson, Bart., G.C.B., &c. Professor Hermann, L. E. Helmholtz.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY (Numismatic) read reports on the following finds of Treasure Trove Coins.

- (I) Report on three old silver coins, forwarded by the Collector of Murshidabad, with his No. 1356G., dated Berhampur, the 8th April, 1894.
- 1, The coins are stated to have been found at Bhattabaṭī in Thana Manulla Bazār, while digging earth for making bricks.
- 2, They are rupees of Shāh 'Ālam, of the Murshidābād mint, and of the years 1189, 15<sup>2</sup> and [1178], 5. One of them is like No. 1188, and two like No. 1193 of the British Museum Catalogue.
- (II) Report on 59 old silver coins, forwarded by the Collector of Birbhum, No. 38 G., dated Suri, the 13th April, 1894.

The Collector, in his letter addressed to the Commissioner of the Burdwan Division, No. 1036 G., dated Suri, the 27th November, 1893, states, that in the Angust preceding, treasure consisting of 60 whole rupees, 16 half-rupees, and 43 quarter-rupees, was found in digging earth for rebuilding a house in the village of Bhavānīpur, within the Rājnagar outpost. Of this treasure only the half- and quarter-rupees were acquired for the Government, total 59 coins, which form the subject of the present report.

All the 59 coins are of British mintage, and (with one exception) of mint Murshidābād, San 19, as described in Mr. Thurston's History of the East India Company's Coinage, pp. 41-43. They may be detailed as follows:—

α,	With oblique milling, issue of 1793-1818, half-rupees,		
	as in Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 39, 40	6	
	quarter-rupees, as iu Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 41, 42	11	17
ь,	With straight milling, issue of 1818-1832, half-rupees,		
	as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 46	1	
	quarter-rupees, not in Br. Mus. Cat	28	29
c,	With plain edges and servated rim, issue of 1832-1835,		
	half-rupees, as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 49	9	
	quarter-rupees, not in Br. Mus. Cat	3	12
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Total:— 58

The remaining piece is a quarter-rupee of the Sūrat miut, date
1215, with plain edges, Sau 46, as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 100.

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(III) REPORT ON 17 old silver coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Nagpur, with his No. 3354/656, dated Nagpur, 30th May, 1894.

The coins are stated to have been found on the 18th October, 1893. The exact locality of the find is not mentioned.

The coins are old Nāgpnrī Rupees of native mintage, in the usual indifferent condition, and of a very common type. Sixteen among them are issues of Aḥmad Shāh Bahādur (1161-1167 A.H.= 1748-1754 A.D.) and one of Shāh 'Ālam. Some of the former show the mint name Sūrat, others seem to have Katak. The date is lost on all of them.

Commissioner of Nagpur, with his No. 4558/656, dated Nagpur, 23rd July, 1894.

The coins are stated to have been found in Mouza Kumbhārī, Tahsil Ramtek, while digging in a field.

They are small silver coins, of the kind generally known as "Gadia." They are described and figured in the late Sir A. Cunning-ham's Coins of Mediæval India, p. 53, plate VI., figs. 7 and 8, and elsewhere. The coins of the present find are of two slightly differing varieties or dies, and very much clipped.

(V) REPORT ON eleven old silver coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Shahpur, with his No. 751, of 2nd November, 1895.

The coins are stated to have been found in the town of Miani in the Shahpur district.

They are all rupees of the Durrani king of Afghanistan, Mahmud Shāb, who reigned from 1216-1245 A.H.=1801-1829 A.D. They are also all of the Kashmir mint, and of the year 1217, regnal 2.

(VI) REPORT ON five old silver coins, forwarded by the Collector of Champaran, with his No. 832, dated Motihari, the 5/16th November, 1894.

The Collector reports in his letter, addressed to the Commissioner of the Patna Division, No. 831, dated Möţihārī, 5/16th Nevember, 1893, that in February, 1893, hidden treasure, amounting to Rs. 2,000, was found in the village of Dumrī, under a pakka wall. Only 5 coins of this treasure were recovered by the police.

These five coins are rupees of the following Mughul emperors of Delhi:-

a, Arbar, 963-1014 A.H.=1556-1605 A.D.

An Îlahî rupee, month Îsfandārmuz, of the Ahmadābād mint, regnal year 41 (?), like Br. Mus. Cat.,
No. 178

ь,	JAHÄNGIR, 1014-1037 A.H. = 1605-1627 A.D., type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 472, mint Qandahār, date lost, reg-	
	nal year 12	1
c,	SHAH JAHAN, 1037-1068 A.H. = 1627-1658 A.D., typo	
	as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 643, mint Patna, date 1067,	
	regnal lost, month lost	1
d,	AURANGZIB, 1068-1118 A.H. = 1658-1707 A.D., two va-	
	ricties, like Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 731 and 777, mint of	
	one Sürat, dates [10]72 and 1109, regnal of one 41	2

(VII) REPORT ON two old silver coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Mandla, with his No. 2366, dated 12th November. 1894.

No information is given in the letter of the Deputy Commis-

sioner with reference to the locality and date of finding the coins.

They are square rupees of Akbar, with the Kalimah, of the type shown in the Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 127-151. Their dates are 1000 (in numeral figures, not expressed by alif) and 996. Their mints are lost.

REPORT ON 24 old coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Rawalpindi, with his No. 2568 G., of 16th November, 1894.

The coins are stated to have been found near Hasan abdal Tabsil

Attock, in the Rawalpindi District.

All the coins are of impure gold, and belong to the class known as "Class B., Coins of the Great Kusans," described by the late Sir A. Cunningham in the London Numismatic Chroniele, Part II for 1893, pp. 120-124.

The present collection consists of coins of three varieties, distinguished, as follows :-

No. of specimens.

First variety; with two sub-varieties:-1st sub-variety: with the legends bha, sita and sāka, as described and figured by Sir A. Cunningham, in (his) Plate II, No. 2, fig. 124 (l.c.): 13 2nd sub-variety, with vi instead of bha ...... 1 N.B.—The legend is saka, with long a, as Sir A. Cunningham rightly observes (l.c., p. 122) not saka as Thomas and V. Smith (Journal, A. S. B., for 1894, p. 182, footnote 2) read. The long a is indicated by the curve at the top of the right-hand stroke of the letter sh. which is distinctly shown in Cunningham's figure 2.

Second variety; with legends bhadra and pakand as in Cunningham's Plate II, figure 12, p. 124	
Third variety; with two sub-varieties:-	•
1st sub-variety: legends bha, saya and sāka, in Cunningham's Plate II, figure 6	
2nd sub-variety: legends vi, saya and ṣāka. N	
in Cunningham	1
N.B.—The ya of saya, in sub-variety 1, has to old tridentate form, while in sub-variety it has the modern form. One specimen	he 2,
the 1st sub-variety reads sana for sall which is probably a mere fault of minting.	ka,

(IX) REPORT ON 66 old silver coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of the Shāhpur District, with his No. 45, of 21st January, 1895.

The coins are stated to have been found in the village of Khabakki.

They belong to the so-called class of punch-marked coins, and are of two different types, viz., 26 are circular and 40 are angular (square or oblong). They are fully described and figured in the late Sir. A. Cunningham's Coins of Ancient India, pp. 54ff., plate I, fig. 1-19.

(X) Report on 179 old coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Gujranwālā, with his No. 1435, dated 2nd October, 1894.

The coins are stated to have been found in the village of Sadhu

Gnraoja in the Gujranwālā District.

They are all small coins of mixed metal, of Muhammad Karluk (Nāṣiru-d-din), about 658 A.H. = 1259 A.D., of the well-known type, published in Prinsep's Indian Antiquities, vol. I, plate II, fig. 14 and elsewhere.

(XI) Report on 548 old copper coins, forwarded by the Collector of Pürî, with his No. 1428, dated Pürî,  $\frac{22nd}{25th}$  September, 1893, and subse-

quent correspondence.

The Collector in his letter to the Commissioner of the Orissa Division, No. 1427, dated  $\frac{20th}{25th}$  September, 1893, states, that the coins were found about the beginning of March, 1893, buried in a small earthen pot, 2 feet below the surface, while excavating earthworks at Gurbai Salt Factory by the Salt Department at Manikaratna. He reports that the villagers were of opinion, that the pieces are more a kind of modal worn as armlets by women; and he adds, that the shape of some of them supports this theory, but that from the dies on them, it is probable that they were some ancient coins of small value.

According to the Collector's letter to the Commissioner, there should have been 573 coins in the lot, but I have only been able to count 548. No number is stated in the Collector's letters to the Asiatic Society of Bengal; and it is, therefore, not quite certain what number of coins was actually dispatched to the Society. Unfortunately the coins were not counted immediately on arrival. They were received by me in an excessively bad state, thickly coated with ancient dirt and verdigris, and looking like a heap of rubbish. I had them first boiled in a sort of purée of tamarind, then put away to soak in the same for about 24 hours, and finally carefully cleaned by rubbing with towols. It is possible, that in the course of this process, the missing coins may have been destroyed or lost. In any case, the loss (if any) is trifling.

They are probably coins of the class current in certain parts of Ancient India, which are described and figured by the late Sir A. Cunningham in his Coins of Ancient India, pages 54-66, plates I-III. These coins existed in two distinct varieties: some were cast, while others were punched with dies (single or double). The coins of the present collection, with a few exceptions, belong to the former variety, of cast coins. Some of them still show the protruding marks of the mould in which they were cast. They are of very considerable interest for this reason that no coins of this particular type has ever before been found,—at least not to my knowledge. I shall, therefore, describe them in detail. See Plate II.

The best made of the coins are clearly die-struck ones. are so much worn down by usage, that the designs on most of them are barely discernible. On some of them, however, sufficient remains to identify them with coins of the Indo-Scythian class. The obverse shows the well-known standing figure of king Kanishka, pointing with his right hand down to the fire-altar; the reverses show the figures of MAO or MIIPO, AOPO (Pl. I, fig. 1), and OADO (Pl. I, fig. 2), as seen on Kanerki coins. No trace of the legend remains; and in its absence. of course, it is impossible to be quite certain of the identity; but the resemblance of the figures on both the obverses and reverses to those on the corresponding Kanerki coins is very striking. The legends on the Kanerki copper coins were very brief, consisting of one or two words only. arranged along the margin; they would, therefore, be peculiarly liable to extreme erasion. The Kanerki copper coirage, however, was extensively imitated in the later Indo-Scythian period; and the coins here described, may bolong to this rather than to the genuine, contemporary Kancrki

<sup>\*</sup> Figure 2 on the Plate is made up of two coins. The reverse shows OADO; the obverse shows Kanerki from another coin.

coinage. Of these Indo-Scythian coins there are 47 in the present collection.

The whole of the remainder of the coins are cast coins, and vory crude imitations of those of Kauerki. They all show two standing figures, one on each face of the coin, with their arms in varying positions. Thore is no legend, but most of them are marked with a crescent placed in varying parts of the field. Accordingly they may be distributed into the following classes and varieties.

CLASS I. No erescent on either side.

Class 1. No ereseent on cither side.		
Variety 1 (Pl. II, fig. 3): obv., figure with r. arm		
pointing down, l. arm raised, rev., r. arm down-		
wards, l. arm a-kimbo	80	
N.B.—In the case of some specimens belonging to		
this variety it is difficult to say whether they are		
struck or east.		
Variety 2 (Pl. II, fig. 4): obv. and rev., both arms		
pointing down.	1	
Variety 3: obr., r. arm pointing down, l. arm upwards;		
rev., both arms pointing upwards	1	
Variety 4 (Pl. II, fig. 5): arms beut right-angularly		
at elbow; obv., arm downwards, l. arm upwards;		
rev., r. arm upwards, l. arm downwards	1	
Variety 5: arms bent right-angularly at elbow; obv.	_	
and rev., r. arm upwards, l. arm downwards	1	
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CLASS II, with crescent on the reverse, in the left top of		0.
the field:—		
Variety 1: obv., r. arm level, l. arm raised; rev.,		
r. arm is wanting, l. arm level	8	
Variety 2: obv. and rev., r. arm raised, l. arm pointing		
down; rev., r. arm pointing down, l. arm raised	16	
Variety 3 (Pl. II, fig. 6): obv. and rev., both arms level	6	
Variety 4 (Pl. II, fig. 7): obv., r. arm level, l. arm raised;	v	
rev., r. arm pointing down, l. arm a-kimbo	6	
Variety 5: obv. and rev., r arm pointing down, l. arm	•	
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raised	*20	
Variety 6 (Pl. II, fig. 8): obv., both arms bent at elbow		
at right angles, r. downwards, l. upwards; rev., r.		
upwards, l. downwards	1	
Variety 7: obv., r. arm raised, l. arm pointing down;		
rev., both arms level	1	40
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Variety 1 (Pl. II, fig. 9): obv., r. arm pointing down, l. arm raised; rev., r. arm pointing down, l. arm a-kimbo Variety 2 Pl. II, fig. 10): obv. and rev., r. arm raised, l. arm pointing down  β, Variety 3: obv. and rev., both arms bent at elbow at right angles, r. upward, l. downwards	50	309
CLASS IV, with crescent on both obverse and reverse:-		
Variety 1: crescent on r. top of obverse, and l. top of		
Sub-variety a: obv., r. arm pointing down, l. arm		
raised; rev., r. level, l. arm a-kimbo	9	
Sub-variety b (Pl. II, fig. 11): obv., both arms level;		
rev., r. arm level, l. arm pointing down	5	
Variety 2: obv. and rev., crescent on l. top; also obv.		
and rev., r. arm pointing down, l. arm raised	1	
Variety 3: obv. and rev., crescent, on r. top:-		
Sub-variety a: obv. and rev., r. arm raised, l. arm		
pointing down	2	
Sub-variety b: obv., r. arm pointing down, l.		
arm raised; rev., r. arm level, l. arm a-kimbo.	2	
		19
CLASS V (Pl. II, fig. 12), with crescent on head of reverse		
figure. Obv., r. arm level, l. arm raised; rev., r. arm		
level, l. arm a-kimbo	1	
_		1

Besides there are a number of specimens which are too badly preserved to admit of being classed in any of the above divisions; altogether 46.

Regarding the age of these coins, some conclusion may be drawn from the fact of their association with coins which belonged to the Indo-Scythiau coinage. They are clearly imitations of the latter coinage; and it may be assumed that they would not have been made, unless the Indo-Scythiau coins had still been current in Northern India. There would have been no object in copying an obsolete coinage. The period of the Indo-Scythiau coinage is fairly well-known. Kanishka reigned in the last quarter of the first century A.D. His copper coinage, as well as imitations of it, passed current for about two centuries afterwards. They are found numerously in the Panjāb, and occasionally much further east. The present, I believe, is the first occasion of any

Indo-Seythian copper coins having been found in the extreme east of North India. The fact of their having been found near Pūrī, the site of an ancient shrine, and place of pilgrimage, may account for it. The cast coins of the present find are clearly local imitations of Indo-Seythian coins, and their age cannot well be later than the fourth century A.D. Whether they were intended to pass current as coins, in the ordinary sense, may not be quite certain. They may have been meant to be used as temple-offerings by the pilgrims, similar to certain imitations of Yandhēya coins found in the Panjāb. Possibly they may have been only intended as ornaments.

The weights of the (apparently) Indo-Seythian coins I have found to vary between 120 and 230 grains. The weights of the cast coins are as follows:—

Class	I,	varying	from	122	to	211	grains.
11	II,	11	33	116	3,	176	,,
"	·III,	11	"	106	33	162	,,,
33	IV,	11	31	112	,,	146	,,
99	$\nabla$	11	11	164			

The weight (full) of genuine Indo-Seythian Kanerki copper-coins, as given by Sir A. Cunningham, is from 130 to 260 grains.

(XII) Report on 32 old silver coins forwarded by the Collector of Burdwan, with his No. 2460G, dated the 18th March, 1895.

These coins belong to a lot of 63 which are said to have been dug ont from a ruined house belonging to some persons in Rasülpur, Thana Kulna, apparently in January, 1895. Only 32 of the lot, those now under report, were recovered by the police.

All the 32 coins are rupees of the Mughul emperor 'Ālamgīr II, who reigned from 1167-1173 H. = 1754-1759 A.D. They are all of the mint Murshidābād, and the year 1171 H. and the 4th regnal year. They bear the usual mint-mark of Murshidābād, a five-rayed star, on the reverse, but on the obverse they show, in addition, a small sun over the he of bādshāh, similar to that on the Murshidābād issue of 1180 H. of Shāh 'Ālam (see British Museum Catalogue, No. 1188, Plate XXIX).

(XIII) Report on 892 old copper coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Mandla, with his No. 1991, dated the 15th 24th September, 1894.

These coins are stated to have been found in a field in the Mauzah Kindri, in the Mandla Tahsil.

They are all square copper coins of the Snltans of Malva. These copper coins used to be very superficially struck; accordingly the legends on most of them are worn out so much that neither name nor date can be recognized, though sufficient remains to show unmistakably the Malva type of coin. There are, however, a small number (less than 100) on which sufficient traces of a name or date remain, to attribute them more particularly, as shown below:—

GHIYAS SHAB, 880-906 H. = 1475-1500 A. D., of two	
sizes, no date legible	4
Nasir Shah, 906-916 H. = 1500-1510 A. D., of two	
sizes, date 913 en oue	8
Маниот Shan, 916-937 Н. = 1510-1530 A. D., of	
two sizes, dates 916, 917, 918, 919 (?), 922 on 15	
specimens	72

Total ... 84

There are also two curious coins among the lot. They have the usual Mālvā type, but they show the name Muhammad in full and quite distinct. There is no Sultān of that name known among the Khilji house of Mālvā. In the Ghōrī house which preceded it, there is a Muhammad Ghaznī Khān, who reigned 838-839 H., but he is not known to have struck any coins. Moreover the coins seem to show traces of the dynastic name Khiljī, and the mutilated date on one of them does not fit Muhammad Ghaznī Khān. Of this date the unit figure 2 is quite distinct, it also shows a slightly mutilated decade figure, which (from the remains of it) can only be either 6 or 9, probably the former. The only date, that can be made up of these figures to agree with the known period of the Mālvā Sultāns, is 862 (or perhaps 892). The year 862 would fall within the reign of Mahmud I, while 892 would fall to Ghiyās Shāh. The name, however, reads quite clear "Mnhammad," not "Mahmūd."

(XIV) REPORT on 64 old gold coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of the Jhang District, with his No. 423, dated 1st April, 1895.

In a previous letter, No. 36, dated the 20th March, 1895, the coins are stated to have been found in the Jhang District, but no further particulars regarding the date and exact locality of the find are given. Together with the coins, a number of gold and silver ornaments, comprising thirteen sets, were sent. As to the finding of these ornaments,

no particulars whatever are given. They have every appearance of

being modern manufacture.

The coins are of a mixture of gold and silver, and are very old. They are precisely of the same description, in every particular, as the 62 coins, found in 1888 in the Bijnör District, N.-W. Provinces, and described and published by me in the *Proceedings* of this Society, for November, 1888, p. 205. They are also referred to in Mr. V. A. Smith's paper in the *Journal* of the Society for 1895, pp. 181, 184, on the "Coinage of the Gupta Period." The coins belong to the Class of the o-called "Later Indo-Scythian Coins," and to the Group of "Later Great Kuṣāns, Class B," or the Group of "Early Little Kuṣāns." I repeat their description, as it was given not quite correctly in the *Proceedings* for 1888.

Obv. Crude figure of king standing to left. Under his left arm kidara; ontside spear kshana; to left of king's right leg kapana, between this word and the leg one large det or a cluster of dets (3 to 5).

Rev. Goddess, seated on throne with cornucopial in loft hand; over her head a crescent, generally let into the dotted marginal circle. Monogram, in top of right field, and or letter, which seems to be la in some, sa and sala in other specimens.

The following is a list of the ornaments:-

1	Faminas.		gold,	9	specimens.
1,	Earrings;		gora,		specimens.
2,	Ear-studs		,,	3	99
3,	Lockets	• • •	99	2	>>
4,	Pieces		>>	12	22
5,	Earrings,		silver,	25	>>
6,	Bangles		"	2	,,
7,	Do. (another kind)	• • •	"	4	**
8,	Do. (smaller)		99	6	12
9,	Armbands	•••	99	16	22
10,	Collar	***	7.7	1	>>
11,	Rings	• • •	"	2	99
12,	Bracelets		37	9	"
13,	Sets of balls		99	2	>>

Total ... 86

The Philological Secretary read an obituary notice of the death of Major-General Sir H. C. Rawlinson, Bart., G. C. B., &c.

The Council regret that it has fallen to them to report the death of Major-General Sir H. C. Rawlinson, Bart., G.C.B., F.R.S., D.C.L., Oxon., LL.D., Cantab. and Edin., K.L.S., and an Honorary Member of this Society since the year 1853.

Henry Creswicke Rawlinson was born at Chadlington, Oxfordshire, in 1810, and was educated at Ealing School. In 1827, when only seventeen years of age, he landed in India, and was attached to the Bombay Army till 1833. He was then deputed on political duty to Persia, where he was actively employed till the rupture of diplomatic relations with that country in 1839. On his return to India he was appointed British Agent at Kaudahar, which he successfully held from 1840 to 1842, during the disasters of the Kabul war.

In 1844, he returned to political duties in Persia, where in the year 1851 he rose to the rank of Consul-General, from which post he retired in 1855, only to be made, on his return to Englaud, a Crown Director of the East India Company. In 1856, he retired from Indian Service with the title of K.C.B., and, after a short period spent in the Council of India, he was sent in 1859, as Envoy and Minister Plenipotentiary, to Teheran, where he remained till 1868. In that year he returned to England and was again appointed a Life Member of the Secretary of State's Council. In 1891, he was created a Baronet "in recognition of his distinguished services to the State, stretching over a long period of years."

In addition to the above-named English honours, Sir Henry Rawlinson was a "Chevalier of the Order of Merit" of Prussia, an "Associé étranger" of the French Institute, and a Foreign Honorary Member of the Vienna Imperial Academy of Sciences. He was also a Knight of the First Class of the Persian Order of the Lion and the Sun.

To Members of this Society his claims to literary recognition are well known. As a political writer his authority on the Eastern question has long been established by the series of articles commencing with a paper on that subject in the Quarterly Review for 1849, and culminating in his England and Russia in the East, which appeared in 1875, and is still looked upon as a work of first class importance. The seventeen years spent in Persia and Turkish Arabia were, however, not devoted to politics alone. As a linguist Henry Rawlinson stood in the first rank of the brilliant band of discoverers of the middle of this century. His numerous papers, commencing in the year 1846, on the antiquities of the East, and more especially on the cuneiform inscrip-

tions of Persia, Assyria and Babylonia, including his famous copy of Behistun inscription made in 1847, and published two years latter, which appeared in the Journals of the Geographical and Royal Asiatic Societies have given him an imperishable name. As Professor Max Müller well remarks, if we followed the process by which Grotefend, Burnouf, Lassen and Rawlinson arrived at the decipherment of the cuneiform tablets, we should see that "the discovery of the alphabet, the language, the grammar, and the meaning of the inscriptions of the Achomenian dynasty deserves to be classed with the discoveries of a Kepler, a Newton, or a Faraday."

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY exhibited an ancient map of Bhakar on the Indus, and read the following letter from Mr. T. D. La Touche, of the Geological Survey, from whom it had been received.

"I am sending you by parcel post a tracing of an ancient plan of the island of Bhakar, on the Indus, with portions of the towns of Rohrī and Sukkur, which may be of interest to some of the members of the Society.

I have not been able to learn much of the history of the plan, but what follows was told me by the Mukhtiärkär of Rohri, through whom the plan was obtained from the owner by Mr. Pratt, Deputy Collector of Rohri, who lent it to me for copying.

The owner is a Sayyad, Ya'qūb 'Alī by name, whose ancestor was, at the time of Akbar's annexation of Siud (1591-92), sub-governor of Rohrī, and was made by him governor of the island of Bhakar. The plan was made by Akbar's order, by an artist whose name is unknown, in duplicate, one copy being sent to the Emperor at Delhi, and the other handed down in the governor's family. It would be interesting to learn whether the other copy, sent to Delhi, is still in existence or not.

The plan is, I imagine, a fairly faithful representation of the aspect of Bhakar as it was before the buildings were demolished. The most interesting point about the whole plan is, however, the building shown in the middle of the river, standing on a rock below the island of Sudhbelä. This building has entirely disappeared now; indeed, it is evident that at the time the plan was made, the rock on which it stood was

much underent by the river, and now not a vestige of the rock itself remains. I am told however, that the existence of a hospice or place of refuge, in the middle of the river at Bhakar is mentioned by ancient travellers in Sind, and this is probably the building referred to.

The great tower or Minaret of Mir Muhammad Ma'sum, which is so conspicuous an object in Snkkur at the present time, is shown near the lower end of the plan. I have only doubtfully been able to identify any of the other tombs with those now in existence, which are all in a more or less ruinous condition. I have had a translation made of all the inscriptions on the plan, and append it herewith.

The method of fishing for 'Pulla' with nets by men floating down the stream during the floods on earthen pots, is a common sight in Sukkur at the present day. The form of not and method of killing the fish before slipping it into the 'ghara' has not changed in the

slightest degree.

It is somewhat curious that not a single camel is shown on the plan, but there are three elephants, which are never seen in Sind nowadays, one of them being ferried across the river on a boat. The distinctive Sindhī hat is also conspicuous by its absence. It was not introduced into Upper Sind, I believe, till comparatively recently."

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(94) Mosque of Mir Sayyad Ya'qub.

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(96) Square of Balad Jan in the outskirt of town Lohri.

(97) The great Mandir is a wellknown place.

(98) The place above the town Lohri where the large boats arriving from Thattha, Lahor, Multan,

(99) River above the town Sak-

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## PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR MAY, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, was held on Wednesday, the 1st May, 1895, at 9-15 r. m.

DR. A. F. RUDOLF HOERNLE, in the chair.

The following members were present:-

Dr. A. Alcock, The Hon. Mr. T. D. Beighton, J. C. Bose, Esq., Dr. G. A. Grierson, C. L. Griesbach, Esq., C. S. Middlemiss, Esq., Bābu Pañcānana Mukerjee, L. de Nicéville, Esq., Dr. F. Noetling, Surgeon Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking, P. C. Rāya, Esq., Paṇḍit Haraprasād Çāstrī.

Visitors:--Maulavie Abdus Salam, H. H. Hayden, Esq., W.

Mackintosh, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Thirty-seven presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentleman duly proposed and seconded at the last Meeting of the Society was ballotted for and elected an Ordinary Member:—

Maulavie Abdus Salam.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

E. C. Cotes, Esq.

The Council reported that there were five vacancies in the list of Honorary Members, the Council therefore recommended the four following gentlemen for election as Honorary Members at the next meeting:—

Professor Hofrath Georg Bühler, Ph.D., is at present Sanskrit Professor at the Vienna University. He was formerly a member of the Bombay Education Service, and during that period of his career laid the foundation of a reputation for accurate learning which has, ever since gone on increasing. He took a prominent part in the foundation of the well-known Bombay Sanskrit series, in which many excellent editions of classical works in that language, have issued from his pen. It is owing mainly to his efforts that the admitted excellence of editions of Sanskrit works published in Bombay should be attributed. Dr. Bühler has published many articles dealing with Sanskrit and Prakrit Epigraphy in the Indian Antiquary and other scientific Journals, and is now one of the greatest living authorities on the subject. Foremost among his works in this branch of study may be mentioned his edition and translation of the Edicts of Acoka, published in German in the Zeitschrift des deutschen morgenländischen Gesellschaft. and in English in Epigraphia Indica. In Oriental Biography, his Life of the Jain Monk, Hemacandra, is a model of learned research combined with an interesting style. His latest works have appeared in the Vienna Oriental Journal under the title of Oriental Studies, and the last of these is a most important contribution to onr knowledge of the Indian Alphabet, which he conclusively shows to be derived from that of ancient Phoenicia.

Lord Rayleigh, who is now prominently before the scientific world as the discoverer of a new gas in the atmosphere, has for many years been a leading Fellow of the Royal Society of London, to which he was admitted in 1873. He was Senior Wrangler and Smith's Prizeman in 1865 and for five years, Professor of Experimental Physics in Cambridge University. He has written many scientific papers dealing, in the earlier years, chiefly with Electricity and Sound, but latterly with a wider range of subjects. His best known work is an abstruse treatise on sound, published eighteen years ago. He has been the recipient of numerous honorary degrees from British and Foreign Universities, and is a Member or Associate of many Scientific Societies.

At the Anniversary Meeting of the Chemical Society held in March last, the Faraday Medal was presented to Lord Rayleigh for the distinguished services he has rendered to Chemical Science through the discovery of Argon.

Lieutenant-General R. Strachey, R. E., F.R.S., C.S.I., is distinguished in many branches of Science, chiefly in Physical Geography, Geology, Botany and Meteorology. He was engaged in the scientific snrvey of Kumaon and Garhwal in 1848, where he made valuable geological and botanical researches and collections, and wrote an account of its Physical Geography. He is the Chairman of the Meteorological Council, in which capacity he investigated the atmospheric phenomena resulting from the great earthquake at Krakatoa, some years ago. He was delegate of Great Britain at the International Prime Meridian Conference at Washington in 1884, at which Greenwich was chosen as the Prime Meridian.

He is distinguished as a Geographist, and was President of the Royal Geographical Society in 1887-89, when he delivered a course of lectures on Geography at Cambridge University, which have been since published, and he wrote the article on "Asia" in the new edition of the Encyclopædia Britannica.

He has received an honorary degree at Dublia and Oxford Universities.

He has written papers on a large variety of scientific subjects, and has been Vice-President of the Royal Society more than once.

Mr. C. H. Tawney, C.I.E., M.A., at present Librarian of the India Office, has distinguished himself by his researches in Sanskrit and Prakrit Literature. He has translated the Uttara-rāma-carita (1871), Two Centuries of Bhartphari (in English verse, 1877), and the Mālavikā gnimitra (2nd Edition, 1891). He has also contributed several papers to the Journal of this Society and to the Indian Antiquary. His translation of the Kathā-sarit-sāgara, &c., of Sōma-dēva, prepared for the Bibliotheca Indica, is a classical work which has rendered important services to students of ancient Indian civilization, and of the science of Folk-tales. The Society owes a special debt to Mr. Tawney for this most valuable work. Since his retirement to Europe and acceptance of his present post, he has added another laurel to those already earned, by translating the important work entitled the Kathā-kōṣa or Treasury of Stories, for the Oriental Translation Fund.

The CHAIRMAN announced that Mr. Frank Finn had been appointed a member of the Council and Anthropological Secretary of the Society.

The CHAIRMAN also announced that Dr. A. Alcock had been appointed to officiate as General Secretary in the place of Mr. C. R. Wilson, in addition to his own duties as Natural History Secretary.

82 A. F. R. Hoernle-Copper coins of Abdagases and Kadphises II. [Max,

Dr. A. F. Rudolf Hoernle exhibited four copper coins of Abdagases and Kadphises II. with new legends in Bactrian characters. He said:—

The two Kadphises coins are out of a lot of 422 copper coins, found recently on the Kalka-Kasauli road, in the territory of the Mahārāja of Paṭiālā. The whole of the coins was transmitted for examination to Mr. C. J. Rodgers, Honorary Numismatist to the Government of Iudia, in Amritsar. He found among them about 40 coins of Kanishkar of well-known types. The rest were coins of Kadphises II., all of them of the ordinary type, though of different dies, except the two, now exhibited. These two, Mr. Rodgers noticed, bore Bactrian legends on the reverse side, quite different from the usual one. He sent them down to me for confirmation. One of them undoubtedly shows an entirely different and new reading. Only one-half of the legend, on the right hand marginal semi-circle, is legible. It reads as follows:—

#### (hegodha)sa or (hegosa)sa aprataha(tasa).

The portion enclosed in brackets is not quite distinct. It is quite possible that hegodhasa which seems to give no sense is really tradatasa. But aprata is perfectly distinct; and tasa fairly so. One would expect apratihatasa, and it is possible that that is really the reading, as the upper part of the apparent akshara ta is rather rubbed. In any case the word apratihatasa forms quite certainly a part of the legend, and it occurs in that place of the coin which usually shows the words hima-kapicasa (see Br. Mus. Cat., pl. xxv., fig. 12). The Bactrian letters of these two sets of words could not easily be mistaken for one another. The legend, therefore, on this coin, is certainly a new one. In its entirety it probably reads:—

## Maharajasa rajadirajasa tradatasa apratihatasa.

The term aprainate has hitherto never been found on any of the coins of Kadphises II. It occurs, however, on the coins of Gondophares and Ranjabala, who must have been nearly contemporary with him. A variety of it also occurs on the earlier coins of Lysias, Artemidorus and Philoxenus.

With regard to the other Kadphises coin, I am not quite so certain. Nearly the whole of the Bactrian legend is obliterated. There are only three letters that admit of being read at all. They stand in the middle of the right-hand margin, near the bull's head, where ordinarily the letters of the word himakapicasa come in. They now seem to read sa maya, but they are slightly mntilated and rubbed; they stand exactly in the place of himaka, and on the whole the probability is

that they are really the remnants of that combination of letters. If this bo so, this coin is one of the ordinary kind.

The Greek legend on the obverse of both coins is almost wholly obliterated. On the new coin, a trace of METACO (i.e.,  $\mu\epsilon\gamma\alpha$ s con $\mu$ o) is just recognisable near the right foot of the figure of Kadphises, in its usual place.

The two Abdagases coins are of very peculiar interest, inasmuch as they present the only instance, hitherto discovered, of Bactrian script running from the left to the right. Hitherto, as is well-known, that script has invariably been found running from the right to the left.

The two coins were found among a lot of Bactrian copper coins, procured by Mr. J. A. Bourdillon, C.S., from the Gaya bazar, in December last. The lot consisted mostly of coins of Soter Megas, Kadphises I. (Kujula-type), and Gondophares, with a few of Abdagases of the usual well-known types, and in the usual, much abraded condition. I picked out the best preserved specimens (purchased for 2 annas each), for Mr. Bourdillon's and my own collection, and the rest were returned to the On closer examination I discovered, among the Abdagases coins, two specimens which greatly differed in two points from the usual type of his coins. In the first place, I noticed, to my great surprise, that a portion of the Bactrian legend runs from the left to the right. In the second place, it appeared that the whole legend was (as usual on most Bactrian coins, copper as well as silver) arranged in two sections. On the ordinary copper coins of Abdagases, as well as of Gondophares, and other late kings, the legend runs continuously all round the margin, and is to be read from the inside of the coin. This, however, is not the usual arrangement on Bactrian coins. As a rule it is not written continuously, but in two sections. The smaller section of the Bactrian legend (on the reverses), giving the name, commences on the lower right of the margin, and runs, along the bottom of the coin, from right to left, to the lower left of the margin; and must be read from the outside of the coin. The larger section commences on the lower right of the margin, and rans up all round tho top of the coin, down to tho lower left; and must be read from the inside of the coin. Both sections, therefore, commence on the lower right of the margin, and read from the right to the left, in diverging lines. The same arrangement holds good for the Greck legends (on the obverses); only in this case, as Greek is read from the left to the right, the starting point of the two sections is the lower left of the margin. Now on our new Abdagases coins, there is a curious mixture of the Greek and Bactrian arrangements. The legend is written in two sections; the smaller section, giving the namo, Abdagaçasa, begins on the lower right, and runs across 84

to the lower left, and reads from the outside of the coin, from the right to the left. This smaller section, therefore, follows the usual system of writing and reading the Bactrian script. But the larger section, commences on the left side, where the smaller section ends, and then runs, from the left to right, round the upper part of the margin, down to where the smaller section commences; and it reads from the inside of the coin. The larger section, therefore, reads from the left to the right, like the Greek. In fact, that section is arranged and reads like a Greek legend, while the smaller legend is arranged and reads like a Bactrian legend, though both sections are written in Bactrian characters. In other respects the legend is the usual one, viz.:—

Larger section: Maharajasa tradatasa Smaller ditto: Avadagaçasa.

Mr. Bourdillon's specimen gives the whole of the legend, except the letters vada of the name; but some of the existing letters are rubbed and mutilated; the five letters maha, ja and çasa, however, are perfectly distinct. On my own specimen of the coin, only a very small pertion of the legend is preserved; viz., the letters maha and gaçasa. This portion, equally distinct on both specimens, forms, as will be understood from the arrangement, above explained, a continuous set of letters, and is made up of the beginning of the larger and the end of the smaller sections. It is quite characteristic, and sufficient to prove how the whole legend must have run, even if it is not actually extant.

Unfortunately there is not sufficient time to prepare photographic facsimiles of these four coins, before my departure on leave. But, I hope, on my return to publish facsimiles in the *Journal*, together with such further information, as may be then forthcoming.

Dr. A. F. Rudolf Hoernle exhibited a number of small fragments of Ancient Manuscripts from Central Asia. He said:—

These fragments were received by me about a month ago from the Foreign Office in Simla, to which they had been sent by Mr. G. Macartney, at Kashghar, where he acts as Special Assistant of Chinese affairs to the Resident in Kashmir. The Foreign Office letter stated that these manuscripts had been excavated in Kuchar and presented to Mr. Macartney by the Manager of the Chinese Foreign Commerce at Kashghar.

Unfortunately these fragments are the merest scraps of what was clearly a collection of several manuscripts. They are too small to be of any literary or historical value; but from the palæographic point of view they present some points of interest.

The fragments number several hundreds, and are mostly utterly useless, but there are about a hundred of the size of one to two inches square, which bear connected letters, and are legible.

The material of the fragments are of three different kinds: palmleaf, birch-bark, and paper. The paper is of several varieties of manufacture.

The number of manuscripts, represented by these fragments, it is difficult to define with certainty. To judge from the varieties of writing and material, however, there must have been not less than eight or nine. There was certainly one manuscript of palm-leaf. There was also certainly one, if not two, of birch-bark; for the writing on the fragments seem to show two different styles of writing. Of paper manuscripts there must have been, at least, five, but probably more; this is shown by the varieties of writing and make of paper.

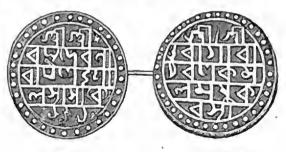
Particularly noticeable is that the palm-leaf and birch-bark fragments show a purely Indian type of writing, of the North-Western Gupta class, similar to that on the Horiuzi palm-leaf MS., and the birch-bark Bower MS. This, indeed, might have been expected from the fact that the material is palm-leaf or birch-bark, which is not obtainable in Central Asia. Manuscripts on these materials must have been prepared and introduced from India. The fact of the occurrence of them in Central Asia may be of considerable chrouological value. They exhibit the old form of the tridentate y, and the old Gupta form of m. The superscript r is formed on the top line of writing instead of above it.

The paper mannscripts uniformly exhibit the Central Asian kind of Nāgarī, as shown in the Weber Manuscripts. But they are of considerable variety. Some approach very closely to the pure Indian type, as in Weber MS., Parts I and II (Plate I, Fig. 1, 2; in Journal, As. Soc., Beng., for 1893, pp. 9, 17), others show the purest Central Asian type as in Weber MS., Parts IV to IX (ibid., Pl. II, Fig. 1, 2, 3, Pl. III, Fig. 1-5). In particular, there are a few fragments, which are so strikingly like several leaves of the Weber MSS., as to suggest that they may have belonged to missing leaves of the same manuscripts. The writing that remains on the fragments, however, is too defective to allow of arriving at any more certain conclusion.

A Plate of selected specimeus is being prepared by Col. Waterhouse, of the Survey of India, which, I hope to be able to publish, with additional information, in the *Journal* of the Society.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY exhibited two rare Assam coins forwarded by Mr. E. A. Gait. One is a coin of Raghu-nārāyaṇa, the founder of the western branch of the Koch Kings (vide J. A. S. B.

lxii., 292). It is most interesting as being the first specimen of a coin of this branch of the family which has come to light.



Obverse.

Reverse.

The legend is

त्री त्री रघदेवना रायच पा छस्म साके १५१० त्री त्री इर-गौरी परच-कम छ-मधक

The date of the coin (Çak. 1510, corresponds to 1588 A.D. Raghu-nārāyaṇa's dates are 1581-1593 A.D. (l. c., p. 305), so that the coin belongs to the 7th year of his reign. The coin was the property of Bābū Tānurām, Mauzādār of Hastināpur Mauzā, in Barpēlā, who has been good enough to present it to the Society.

The second coin is of **Dharma-māṇikya-dēva** of Tippera. A very similar one is published in Marsden's *Numismata Orientalia*, p. 795, No. MCCIX. It has been presented to the Society by Mr. Gait.



The legend is as follows:-

Obverse.

Reverse.

मिव-दुर्गा-प दा-रक मधुप त्री त्री-युत धर्म मानिका देव Figure of Lion to the left.

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Çak. 1636 is equivalent to 1714 A.D.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY read the following note on the Chinese

equivalent for Rangamāțī.

In Mr. Boveridge's paper On the Site of Karna Suvarna, read at the meeting of December, 1893, he identified this town, the Kie-la-nasu-fa-la-na of Hiuen Tsiang with the town of Rangamati in the Murshidabad district. In the course of his article, Mr. Beveridge quoted Hinen Tsiang as follows-"By the side of the capital there rises the monastry called Lo-to-wei-chi-seng-kia-lan," which last word is, according to M. Julien, the phonetic equivalent of the Raktaviti Sanghārāma, which again Mr. Beveridge argues is the same as Rangamāţī. Lo-to-wei-chi, means, in Chinese, 'red carth,' and cliffs or bluffs of red clay form a prominout feature in the scenery of Rangamāti. He suggests that instead of Raktaviti, the Sanskrit equivalent should be Ragamyttika, or Raktamyttika, the latter portion of the compound, mrttika being the equivalent of the Chineso wei-chi. further points out that in Hiuen Tsiang's life, the word is Ki-to-mo-chi. instead of the Lo-to-wei-chi ef the travels, and suggests that this difference of reading may lead to a settlement of the question. Mo-chi may be right, and may be the equivalent of mrtti.

Some time ago, I had the fortunate oppertunity of submitting the point for the opinion of M. Sylvain Lévi, perhaps the only persen in the world capable of deciding it, for he is equally competent a scholar of Sanskrit and of Chinese. He very kindly writes as follows,—

'The difference between the two words Ki-to-mo-chi, of the Life, and Lo-to-wei-chi, of the Si-yu-ki, is simply due to the confusion of two graphic signs nearly identical. The syllable  $Lo\left(\begin{matrix} \swarrow & \swarrow \\ & P \end{matrix}\right)$  of the Si-yu-ki very closely resembles the character  $Ki\left(\begin{matrix} \swarrow & \swarrow \\ & P \end{matrix}\right)$  of the Life, the only difference being that the character which surmounts the (P), is  $(\not \succ)$  in one case, and  $(\triangle)$  in the other. Similarly with regard to the character  $wei\left(\begin{matrix} \smile & \smile \\ & \smile \end{matrix}\right)$  which only differs in the arrangement of its two horizontal lines from the character  $mo\left(\begin{matrix} \smile & \smile \end{matrix}\right)$ . In the former, the shorter line is written above the longer, and in the latter, the reverse is the case.'

'The reading Lo is the more probable, for Julien, in his Méthode, cites no example of the character Ki occurring in the transcription of Sanskrit names, ner have I ever met an instance. On the other hand, for the same reason, the character mo is more probable than wei. The regular transcription of Lo-to-mo-chi would be a Prakrit from Rattamati[kā], the equivalent of the Sanskrit Rakta-mṛttikā which corresponds to the meaning "Red clay" given to the convent by the Pilgrim.'

<sup>1</sup> Journal, Vol. LXII. Pt. I for 1893. pp. 315 and ff.

This settles the question, and we are all much indebted to M. Sylvain Lévi, for his very interesting communication.

Dr. G. A. Grierson, Honorary Philological Secretary, read the following note on an early supposed Bangāli version of the Lord's Prayer.

At the meeting of the Society held in April 1893, I had the honour of reading a paper on the Early Study of Indian Vernaculars in Europe. It was fortunate enough to attract the attention of other scholars, some of whom have made valuable additions to our knowledge of the subject. Amongst these latter may be mentioned a paper read last January before the Reale Accademia dei Lincei of Rome, by Signor Emilio Teza, entitled, Dei primi Studi sulle Lingue indestaniche alle note di G. A. Grierson. Signor Teza has brought the following interesting facts to light.

In my paper I drew attention to a work of Fritz published in 1748, entitled the Orientalisch-und-occidentalisch Sprachmeister, which contained amongst other things two hundred translations of the Lord's Prayer in different languages. Regarding the Bangāli version given in that work, I said<sup>2</sup>:—

The Bangali translation, which is taken from Wilkins' sample given in Chamberlayne's Syllege, is almost worth reprinting as a curiosity for the number of seemingly impossible mistakes it contains. In fact it is quite illegible and unintelligible to every native of Bengal to whom I have shown it. It has ovidently been made by some person who got a copy of the alphabet, and a general description of the language, and then 'greatly dared.' Even his knowledge of the alphabet is incomplete.

Signor Teza is the fortunate possessor of a copy of Chamberlayne's Sylloge, from which Fritz copied his Bangālī version, and Wilkins' confession in the Latin Preface to that work clears up the mystery. He says that as he had not been able to obtain a copy of the Lord's Prayer in Bangālī, he had taken a Malay version, and written it in Bangālī characters. The transliteration given by Wilkins of this curiosity is as follows:—

Bappa kita, jang adda de surga,
Namma-mou jadi bersakti,
Radjat-mou mendarang,
Kandhatimou menjadi de bumi sepertj de surga,
Roti kita derri sa hari-hari membrikan kita sa hari inila,
Makka ber-ampunla padakita doosa kita, seperti kitá ber-ampun-akan siapa bersala kapada kita,
D'jang-an hentar kita kapada tjobahan,
Tempi lepasken kita dari jang d'jakat:

<sup>1</sup> See Journal, Part I. for 1893, p. 41.

<sup>2</sup> L. c., p. 48.

Karna mou pun'ja radjat daan kauwassahan daan ber-bessaran sampey kakakal. Amin.

It appears according to Signor Teza, that the above is actually Malay.

The version in so-called Bangālī characters, of which the above is Wilkins' transcription is now worth reprinting,—for as a matter of fact only a few of the characters are Bangālī, and those few are wrongly used. Thus de is written unistead of cq. It is either an absolute invention of Wilkins, which is not probable, or it is some hybrid character used by Malay Sailors in their intercourse with Bengal. Wilkins was under the impression that, at the time when he wrote (1715 A.D.), Bangālī was disappearing as a language, its place being taken by Malay.

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Another correction has been made by Signor Teza, to which I take this opportunity of drawing attention. In my article <sup>1</sup> I mentioned that the first grammar of Hindustānī was that of Schultz, published in 1745, a work which I had not had the good fortune to see. Signor Teza is the fortunate possessor of a copy of this work, which appeared in Halle in 1744 (not 1745). Schultz, in his preface, mentions a still earlier, grammar. In 1743 there appeared the Miscellanea Orientalia of David

Millius, in which was inserted a grammar of the Hindustānī language composed by John Joshua Ketelaer, for some time Ambassador of the Dutch East India Company, to the Great Mogol, at Agra. Ketelaer's Hindustānī version of the Lord's Prayer is given by Signor Teza and will bear reprinting as a curiosity. It runs—

Hammare baab—Ke who asmaanmehe—Paak hoeé teere naom—Auwe hamko moluk teera—Hoé resja teera—Sjon asmaan ton sjimienme—Rootie hammare nethi hamkon aasde—Oor maafkaar taxier apne hamko—Sjon mafkarte apre karresdaar onkon—Nedaal hamko is was wasjeme—Belk hamko ghaskar is boerayse. Teeræ he patsjayi, soorrauri alemgiere heametme. Ammen.

I owe to the courtesy of Mr. W. Irvine, the following information about Ketelaer. He was accredited to Shah 'Alam Bahadur Shah (1708-1712) and Jahandar Shah (1712). In 1711 he was the Dutch Company's Director of Trade at Surat. He passed through Agra both going to and coming from Lahore (via Delhi), but there does not seem to be any evidence available that he ever lived there, though the Dutch Company had a factory in that city subordinate to Surat. The Mission arrived near Lahore on the 10th December 1711, returned to Delhi with Jahandar Shah, and finally started from that place on the 14th October 1712, reaching Agra on the 20th October. From Agra they returned to Surat. A detailed account of the Embassy, taken from a diary kept by one Ernst Coenraad Graaf, first sworn clerk to the Embassy, will be found in F. Valentijn's Oud en Nieuw Oost Indien, Vol. IV. (Ed. 1726), pp. 282-302. Some further particalars concerning Ketelaer will be found in Ost Indien und Persianische Reisen, von Johann Gottlieb Worms, Aus Döbeln ..... oder ..... aus Licht gestellt durch M. Crispinum Weisen Past. Zu. Mochau, 1st Ed. Dresden 1737; 2nd Ed. Leipzig 1745, 8vo. From this we learn that Ketelner was also called Kötelär, Kessler, or Kettler, and that he was a Lutheran born at Elbingen in Prussia. In 1716 he had been three vears Director for the Dutch Company at Surat. He was then appointed their envoy to Persia and left Batavia in July 1716, having been 30 years in the Dutch Service, or in the East Indies. He was a heavy corpulent man, and died of fever at Gambroon on the Persian Gulf on his return from Isfahan, after having been two days under arrest, because he would not order a Dutch ship to act under the Persian Governor's orders against some Arab invaders.

I take this opportunity of drawing attention to some early works on Indian languages which have come to my notice since I wrote

<sup>1</sup> Second Ed., pp. 22, 247, 248, 303.

my article. Father Heinrich Roth, S. J., attached to the Goa Mission 1 journeyed from Goa to Agra about 1650-1660. About 1665 he returned to Rome, and drew up for Athanasius Kircher, S. J., fivo plates for the latter's *China Illustrata* (published at Amsterdam in 1667). The first four of these plates contain the alphabet and elements (in the Dēvanāgarī character) of Sanskrit, explained in Latin, and the fifth Our Lord's Prayer and an Avo Maria in Sanskrit and Latin, to serve as an exercise for beginners. According to Constable, these are the first specimens of Sanskrit ever printed or engraved (as for a book) in Europe, or indeed anywhere.

Abraham Roger was the first Dutch Chaplain (1631-1641)<sup>2</sup> at Pnlicat. He died at Gouda in Holland in 1649. In 1670, his widow published a work by him entitled, 'La Porte ouverte, pour parvenir à la Connaissance du Paganisme caché.' On pp. 29 & ff. of this book there is printed a Dutch translation of Bhartrhari's Çatakas made by a Brāhman named Padmanābha the first translation from Sanskrit published in any

Enropean language.

Finally I may refer the reader to the Hindustani translation of the Acts of the Apostles, dated 1748, to which attention was drawn by Mr. W. Irvine in the *Proceedings* of the Society for Decr. 1893, pp. 174 & ff.

The following papers were read :--

1. On the Dogam Mint.—By Surgeon-Captain W. Vost, Indian Medical Service.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

2. On Polarisation of Electric Ray by Double Refracting Crystals.— By Professor J. C. Bose, B.A. (Cantab), B. Sc. (Lond.).

## (Abstract).

The following investigations were undertaken by the anthor to find out natural substances which would polarise the Electric Ray. In the present paper the author gives an account of the polarising action of certain crystals on the transmitted ray.

The apparatus used consisted of an Electric Radiation emitting Electro-magnetic Radiation of short wave length, a Polariser, an Analyser and a Receiver responding to incident radiation.

The Polariser and Analyser are adjusted in a crossed position, and

- 1 See Constable's Edition of Bernier's travels, pp. 329 n., 332 n.
- 2 Constable's Bernier, p. 334 n. Preface to Bohlen's Bhartshari, p. xii. and elsewhere.
  - 8 Amsterdam, Jean Schipper, 1670.

the crystal to be examined is then interposed. In certain positions the crystal brightens the dark field.

Crystals belonging to the Tetragonal, Hexagonal, Rhombic, Monoclinic and Triclinic systems were found to polarise the Electric Ray.

The effect produced by the following crystals were especially marked:—Beryl, Apatite, Brucite, Barite, Microcline.

A detailed account of the apparatus used and the results obtained will be published in the Journal.

The paper will be published, in full, in the Journal, Part II.

3. Materials for a Caroinological Fauna of India, No. 1. The Brachyura Oxyrhyncha.—By A. Alcock, M. B., C. M. Z. S., Superintendent of the Indian Museum.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

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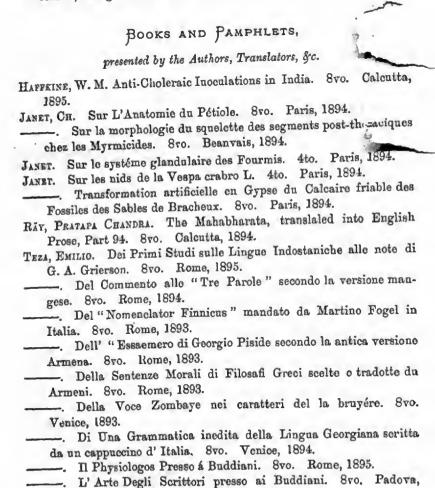
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## PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR JUNE, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, was held on Wednesday, the 5th June, 1895, at 9-15 P.M.

DE. G. A. GEIERSON, C.I.E., in the chair.

The following members were present:-

Dr. A. Alcock, Dr. R. Anderson, A. Caspersz, Esq., F. Finn, Esq., A. Hogg, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Twenty-nine presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen proposed by the Council at the last meeting were ballotted for and elected Honorary members:—

General R. Strachey.

The Right Honorable Lord Rayleigh.

C. H. Tawney, Esq.

Prof. Hofrath Georg Bühler.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

N. D. Beatson-Bell, Esq., I.C.S., Comillah, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

N. Bonham-Carter, Esq., I.C.S., Calcutta, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Dr. A. Alcock.

H. D. Carey, Esq., I.C.S., Serajganj, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lient.-Col. G. Ranking.

R. W. Carlyle, Esq., I.C.S., Comillah, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeou-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

J. G. Cumming, Esq., I.C.S., Comillah, proposed by Dr. G. A.

Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

J. G. Monohan, Esq., I.C.S., Sibsagar, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

C. E. A. W. Oldham, Esq., I.C.S., Calcutta, proposed by C. L. Gries-

bach, Esq., seconded by Dr. G. A. Grierson.

A. F. Steinberg, Esq., I.C.S., Raugpur, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

P. J. Melitus, Esq., I.C.S., Shillong, proposed by Dr. G. A.

Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

Surgeon-Major L. A. Waddell (for Re-election), proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:— ·

P. Sundaram Pillay, Esq.

The Secretary reported the death of the following member:—
The Rev. D. G. Latham-Browne.

The Chairman announced that Mr. Frank Finn had been appointed to officiate as Natural History and Anthropological Secretaries of the Society; and Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. S. A. Ranking as General Secretary.

The following note by Mr. E. A. Gait on Historical Research in Assam is republished in the Proceedings, for the information of members of the Society.

By Order of Council,

G. A. GRIERSON,

Hon. Phil. Secretary.

## Historical Research in Assam.

The sources of information regarding the past history of Assam Sources of information.

may be classed under the following heads:

(1) Information recorded at the time on coins and inscriptions on temples, rocks, &c.

- (2) Historical documents drawn up at or about the period to which they relate.
- (3) Quasi-historical puthis written long after the events with which they deal.
  - (4) Stray historical references in religious works.
  - (5) Traditions unwritten, but still corrent amongst the peeple.

I will deal with each of these sources of information separately.

Coins.

2 We know the coins of the following dynastics:

(a) Āhōm kings.

(c) Kings of Jaintia.

(b) Koch "

(d) " " Manipur.

#### (e) Kings of Tippera.

In the Vaniçavali of Lakşını Narnyan, it is stated that the king of Khairam had a mint, but no coins of his have yet come to light. It is not improbable that the Khyen kings, who preceded the Koch, also coinced money, but here again we have at present no definite knewledge; nor do we know anything about the coinage of the kings of Cachar.

3. The Ahom coins, which are octagonal in shape, are of two classes: those inscribed with the old Ahom character, and those on which the characters are a kind of modern Nagari. Coius of the second class are well known; many of them have been described by Marsden, and large numbers can still be obtained. In regard to them, all that seems to be needed is to catalogue all known coins with their inscriptiens and dates, and to examine as many private collections as possible and describe all not already mentioned in Marsden or other numismatical works. The other class of coins, on the other hand, requires a good deal more attention. Until recently, when some deodhais deciphered one for me, none of these coins had been read. The Asiatic Society of Bengal now propose to send up all the coins of this class in their collection for examination and decipherment, but I do not yet know how many they have got. Moreover, as they have been collected without reference to their (unknown) mintage, it is doubtful how far they are representative of the different monarchs in whese reigns such coins were struck. After we have obtained readings of the Asiatic Society's coins, I think we should at once institute a search for the coins of any kings not found in the Society's collection. Of the two coins of which I have obtained

The reading of this coin has been sent to the Society.

readings, one relates to Chuklenmung\* (1539 A.D.—1552 A.D.), and the other to Chupātphā, alias Gadādhar Simha

(1681-1695 A.D.). The latter must be one of the last coins struck in

the old character, as in the reign of the next king, Rudra Simha,\* we

Although it was not until the reign of his son that the Āhōm kings became regular Hindus, it was Radra Simha who took the first step in this direction by importing Krena Rām Bhattācār-ji, a Çākta Gosain, from Nadia. The adoption of the Hindu character on the coins seems thus to have been one of the outward and visible signs of the growing influence of Hinduism.

have many coins struck in the Nāgarī character. The former may or may not be one of the earliest: in the buranjī of Kāçī Nāth Tāmuli Phukan the coinage of the Āhōms is said to have commenced two reigns later, in the days of Chuchengpha, who came to the throne in 1611 A.D., and is attributed to the civilising influence of Sundar Gosāin and others who had been taken to the Koch capital as hostages by

Silārāi, and who were released and returned home during Chuchengpha's reign. Even if the first coinago was in Chuklenmung's reign, we have still fourteen rulers in the period during which the first class of coins was minted.

4. The coins of the Koch kings are not so well known, and every

. † Marsden reads the dates as 1649 and 1666, but Dr. Hoernle agrees with me that the symbol reads as 6 is really a 5 when used in the coins of the Ähöm, Koch, and Tippera kings.

effort should, I think, be made to add to the number which have been described up to date. In marked contrast to the number of Ahom coins in his collection, Marsden describes only two Koch coins, one of Lakşmi Nārāyan, dated 1549

Sak, and one of Prāṇ Nārāyaṇ, dated 1555 Sak.† In the addition to these, we have a coin of Nar Nārāyaṇ, dated 1477 Sak, which was found in the Gārō Hills., and was described in the Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal for 1875, and another of Lakṣmī Nārāyaṇ, dated

‡ See Proceedings, Asiatic Society of Bengal, August 1893.

1509 Sak, which was obtained for me by Baba M. C. Bardalai. The same Baba also procured for me two smaller

coins of this dynasty, that the names of the kings is not very clear on these. Marsden printed a similar small coin (MCCXVIII) under the head "Uncertain."

The above meagre collections, so far as I know, constitutes all that we know of the Koch kings' coinage. We should, I think, do all that we can to add to it, as the matter is one not merely of numismatic interest, but is also of importance as helping us to fix the otherwise rather uncertain dates of some of the kings of this dynasty. That a systematic search would add to the number of known coins is shown by the fact that the three coins procured for me by Babu M. C. Bardalai were obtained by him after a very short enquiry.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [Since the above was written two valuable papers on Köch and Ahöm coins have been received from Mr. Gait, and will duly appear in the Journal of the Society. Ep.]

- 5. A search for Jaintia coins would apparently be less fruitful, as all which I have yet seen (save those of the last ruler) bear the same inscription, viz., "Cri Cri Jayantapur Purandarasya." No king is mentioned on these coins. The dates of the coins which I have seen aro 1630, 1653, 1696, and 1704 Sak.
- 6. I know very little of the Manipur coins, which were square in shape. Perhaps the Political Agent might be able to make a collection. As regards Tippera coins, it may be observed that these do not directly concern us. They are, however, indirectly of interest as confirming or contradicting the dates given in the Rajmala, or Chronieles of the Kings of Tippera, in which some references are made to the rulers of Cachar or Hiramba, and as relating to a race which we know to be closely allied to our Kachāris, Morāns, &c., and a country which tho chronicles of the Mungkong Shans mention as having been conquered by a section of that race many hundred years ago.

I may mention here that it seems highly probable that many finds of coins occur, which are never reported. Last year, I addressed the Agent and Chief Engineer, Assam-Bengal Railway, on the subject, and, after adverting to the provisions of the Treasure Trove Act, drew attention to the great importance of securing the examination by competent authority of all coins found. A circular was issued by the Agent on the subject, but from what I have since heard, it seems doubtful whether very great attention has been paid to it.

Inscriptions.

The next source of information are inscriptions. These again may be classified as-

- (a) inscriptions on copper plates;
- inscriptions on temples built by Koch kings;
- (c) inscriptions on temples built by the Ahoms;
- other inscriptions.

. Journal of the Asiatic Society

of Bengal, IX, page 766. + Supplement to Pandit for

February, 1893.

† Proceedings, Asiatic Society of Bengal, 1880, page 141. These plates were brought to notice by Mr. Luttman-Johnson, who was at that time Deputy Commissioner, Sylhet.

8. Of the copper plates yet discovered, the most important are those of Vanamala \* and Kumara Pala, + which tell us something of old rnlers in the Brahmaputra Valley; and the two discovered some years ago in Sylhet, which tell of the ancestors of Gaur Gobind, the Hindu king who was defeated by Shah Jalal. ‡

Other plates contain land grants by Ahom kings, and are of use for the same purpose as the inscriptions on temples built by the Ahoms, to which reference will be made below.

I am told that there are in existence copper plates of land grants

The search for old inscriptions which was instituted in Colonol Keatingo's time seems to have been less thorough in Sylhet than elsewhere, and more is, therefore, to be hoped for from further enquiries now.

by the kings of Jaintia. These would be of greater value than those of the Ahōms, as Jaintia is one of the old kingdoms of which our knowledge is at present most fragmentary. It is not improbable that other local rulers in the Surma Valley made grants of land on

copper plates; and it would probably bring some useful information to light if a systematic enquiry were instituted in that district into the origin of the *lākhirāj* grants there. The proceedings under the old Resumption Regulation of 1819 would probably show where further enquiry would be useful.\*

A few older plates may also from time to time come to light; but their discovery must apparently be a matter of chance rather than of systematic enquiry.

9. Two useful inscriptions on temples built by Koch kings are

† See my paper on the Koch Kings of Kamarupa, Journal of the Asiatio Society of Bengal, 1893, page 295. known, viz., those at Hājō and Kāmākhya;† others may perhaps be included amongst the inscriptions noticed below as not yet deciphered.

- Ahom auspices. All of these bear dates of the reign of Rudra Simha (1695-1714 A.D.) and subsequent kings, and are of use chiefly in checking the dates given in the buranjis, and in showing the extent of country ruled by the princes in question, and the degree to which they were dominated by Hindu influences. Most of the inscriptions of this class were copied under Colonel Keatinge's auspices, and all that remains to be done is to collate these copies and see what additions to our existing knowledge of Āhōm history and chronology can be derived from them.
- 11. Amongst "Other inscriptions" may be mentioned two on rocks on the bank of the Brahmaputra near Tezpur, which have never yet attracted the attention which they seem to deserve, a deciphered inscription at Khāspur and another undeciphered at Maibong, and two inscriptions which were said to be undecipherable in the enquiries made in Colonel Keatinge's time, viz., one on the door of the Siddhēçvara temple in Sarubangsar mauza in Kāmrūp, and another on the temple of Chandikā in the same district. No doubt further search would bring other inscriptions to light; I think that ruined palaces, such as that of Bhishmaka near Sadiya, of Hārmāti in North Lakhimpur and of Bhāluka at Bhālukpung, and the old Kachārī capitals at Dimápur, Maibong,

and Khaspur, &c., might be more carefully examined than they have yet been, and that rained temples, such as the one on the hill at Silghat, might also receive some attention. We have not yet, I think, given to these ruins the attention which they deserve.

Excluding the State archives in Manipur, the only historical

Historical documents.

\* The Göramur Gosain told me last cold weather that he had a buranji which was taken away by Mr. Stack for examination, and was never returned to him.

documents which I am acquainted with are those of the deodhais of Sibsagar. Thero may be a few with the Gosains of the Mājuli, \* and the high families of State are also said to have kept private buranjis, some of which are doubtless still in existence. The deodhais' buranjis were exam-

ined by Kāçī Nāth Tāmuli Phnkan in connection with the Asām Buranji compiled by him: My proposals for their transcription and translation will be found further on.

13. Of the works of a quasi-historical nature, the most important

Quasi-historical writings.

by far is the Vamçāvali of Rājā Laksmī Nārāyaņ, which contributed a large pertion of the matter contained in my paper

on the Koch Kings. Rājā Prasiddha Nārāyan has also a Vamçāvali, which, however, is much more brief and less reliable. Neither of these were written at the time, but both were composed while kings of the Koch dynasty were on the throne, when the events which transpired in early reigns may be thought to have been still fresh in the minds of the

people.

There are doubtless other similar works, but my knowledge of them is limited. The Kumara Harana, which deals with the conflict between Krana and Ban Raja, is almost, if not quite, mythical, and the incident is taken almost in its entirety from the Bhagavata Purana. The interest attaching to this work lies chiefly in the peculiar old Assamese in which it is written (e. g., with instead of in, &c.), and it is of no great, value for our present purpose. It has, however, been printed (long ago) in puthi form, and it would be as well to acquire a copy if this could be done for a reasonable price. A more interesting work is that known as "Arimatta's puthi," in which Sankar Deb is supposed to recite to the Koch King Nar Nārāyan, the history of ancient rulers in the province, including that of Arimatta and of the Baro Bhuiyas.

I saw a copy on paper of this puthi recently, but am told that there is a very much more ancient copy on sact bark in the possession of Sishuram Mauzadar of Bangfaug in North Lakhimpur.

· Enquiries might be made with advantage with a view to finding out what other puthis are in existence. It is quite possible that there may be Vaniçõealis in the possession of the Rājās of Beltolā, Dimuria, Rāni, and Lnki, and that much historical information might be obtained from the records of the Barpeta sattra and the sattra of Upper Assam.

Some of the old Musalman families of Sylhet may have records which would help us to learn something of the history of that district during Mnhammadan rule.

kinds. First, there are the old traditions References in religious works. of the Yōginī Tantra, the Viṣṇu Purāna, and similar works; and secondly, there are the writings of the religious revival inaugurated by Sankar Deb, such as the Guru Caritra and Suŋkar Dēbar Jīban-caritra. To the former kind we are indebted for most of what is known of the country prior to the Khyen kings, while from the latter we learn about the advent of the Bārō Bhuiyās, and gather sundry contemporaneous references to Musalman invasions, &c. Some of these works have been printed.

15. Lastly, we come to the still unwritten traditions of the people.

Traditions.

It is doubtful how far these will serve our purpose, but there is no doubt that they will sometimes be of usc. Thus. I

have been given a list of 21 Jaintia kings, whose names have been handed down by tradition. Of these, the 7th and 8th are mentioned in the Āsām Buranji as father and son, and as having reigned sometime between 1611 and 1649 A.D.; and the 15th as having reigned sometime between 1695 and 1714 A.D.; the 20th, we know, died in 1832. So far, therefore, as can be judged from these outside references, the traditional names and order of reigning of the Jaintia kings may be relied upon as correct.

The Chutiyas similarly may have some traditions which would help ns. We know from Āhōm sources that their deoris were worshipping at the copper temple at Sadiya 400 years ago, and it would be strange if they could not tell ns something of the time when their own rājās ruled the country prior to their subjugation by the Āhōms.

16. I have detailed above the different sources of information from which, so far as I can see, we are Action to be taken now.

likely to be able to collect information regarding the ancient history of Assam.

The action which we should now proceed to take is noted below:

(1) Old Ahom coins to be read, and a search to be made for the coins of kings not yet collected.

- (2) A complete catalogue to be made of later Ahōm coins, and any new ones not in the list thus made to be acquired.
  - (3) A thorough search to be made for coins of the Koch kings and earlier dynasties, if any such can be found.
  - (4) A collection and description of Manipuri coins to be undertaken under the auspices of the Political Agent, Manipur.

#### Inscriptions -

- (5) A search to be made for copper plate grants by Jaintia and other Sylhet rulers.
- (6) Ahom land grant plates to be collated.
- (7) Ahom temple inscriptions to be collated.
- (8) Inscriptions on rocks at Tezpur, on the Siddheevara and Chandika temples, and at Maibong to be photographed, and rubbings of the same to be taken and sent to some competent scholar for decipherment.

#### Historical documents-

- (9) The Manipur State records to be copied and translated. [This work might perhaps be undertaken under the supervision of the Superintendent of the State.]
- (10) The Ahom historical puthis to be copied and translated.
- (11) A thorough search to be made for other historical documents.

#### Quasi-historical writings-

" I already have a rough trans-

- (12) 'Vamçāvali of Lakemī Nārāyan to be copied and translated.\*
- (13) Vamçāvali of Prasiddha Nārāyan to be copied and translated.
- (14) Arimatta's puthi to be copied and translated.
- (15) A copy of the Kumara-harana to be purchased, if available.
- (16) A search to be made for other similar documents, and a catalogue of these found to be made in the same form as that adopted in Bengal by the Asiatic Society.

## Religious Works-

- (17) Copies to be purchased of all old Assamese religious works which have been printed.
- (18) A search to be made in the libraries of the sattras with a view to ascertaining if they contain any historical matter.

#### Traditions-

- (19) Traditions to be recorded whenever heard of.
- Ahom puthis and coins.

  Called for in regard to the decipherment of coins in the old Ahom character, and the copying and translation of the Ahom historical puthis.

The knowledge of the Ahōm language is disappearing very rapidly, and the number of deodhais, who still preserve a respectable knowledge of their ancestral language, is extremely small, certainly less than a dozen all told. Even these say that it is so long since they made any study of the subject that they are forgetting what they were taught in their younger days, and the rising generation decline to concern themselves with a language which can yield them no practical advantages. They prefer instead to learn to read and write Assamese, and thereby to qualify themselves for mandalships and other similar appointments.

Consequently, it is even now difficult to obtain a correct reading of the coins in the Āhōm character, and to secure a satisfactory translation of the more difficult passages in the puthis. It seems to me, therefore, that an intelligent person should be entertained at once to learn the Āhōm language and character, and to supervise the reading of coins and the copying and translation of the Āhōm historical puthis. If he worked hard, three or four months should suffice to enable him to learn enough of the language to see that the puthis are correctly copied, and that the translations given are fairly reasonable.

If, however, this proposal is approved of, it seems to me that it would be in every way desirable to take the opportunity to obtain copies and translations of all the more important puthis, and not merely

of those which are exclusively historical in their purport.

18. I recently made some enquiries at Sibsāgar regarding Āhēm

puthis, and annex a list of twenty-eight,

Other Inquiries. which have been catalogued by Babu

Phanidhar Chaliha, Sub-Deputy Col-

lector. The list is admittedly incomplete, even for the extant records of the deodhais of Sibsägar sadr, and there must be many mere puthis in existence not only there, but also in Jorhät. The people are afraid that Government has some ulterior object in trying to find out about these books, and more than one man who is known to possess old puthis has denied being the owner of any. Then, again, the Bailongs also possess puthis, but these, I take it, deal chiefly with divination and kindred subjects.

Turning to the puthis already registered by Babu Phanidhar Chaliha, it will be seen that the list includes only three buranjis, viz.,—

(1) From Khunlung and Khunlai to Kamaleçvar, i.e., from 568-1795 A.D.

(2) Chukapha, i.e., invasien of Assam.

(3) From Gadadhar to Gaurinath, i.e., 1681 to 1780 A.D.

I feel sure, however that more will be discovered after further

search, and in any case, those three would in themselves furnish a sufficient reason for employing some one to learn the language and furnish us with an account of what they contain.

Next to the historical buranjis, the puthis of which it would, in my opinion, be most desirable to obtain translations are those of a religious nature, as from these we should, for the first time, be able to gather some idea of the form of Hindnism which was carried from India to the Shan states before the rise of Buddhism, or, at any rate, of the extent to which the earlier Hinduism entered into the religion previously professed by the Shans. Out of the 28 puthis in Babu Phanidhar's list, I think that at least 14 should be translated. The copying of a small puthi is estimated to take 14 days, and that of a large one 28 days. On an average, it may be assumed that 20 days would be required for copying each puthi. This would be done by the deodhais themselves, and the remuneration they would require would be about Rs. 10 per mensem. Consequently, it would cost us about Rs. 100 to obtain copies of 14 puthis. Assuming that it took the person appointed to supervise the work four months to learn the Ahom language, we should have to pay his teacher Rs. 4 x 10 = Rs 40. Having learnt the language, he would have to go through each of the puthis with tho deedhai who copied it, and having got its meaning, he would have to translate it. Assuming that this took about the same time as the copying, the translator would be engaged on the work for 280 days, and he would have deadhais working with him for the same length of time. Consequently, the total expenditure on the remuneration of the deodhais would be Rs. 240, and to this would have to be added the pay of the translator for 120 days while learning the language and 280 days while translating, or about 14 months in all. I can obtain the services for this purpose of an intelligent young Assamese, who has passed the F. A. Examination, for Rs. 30 per mensem, or Rs. 420 for the whole period of 14 months. He would also have to be given a small contingent grant for paper, &c. If more buranjis come to light, or if it is decided to deal with all known Ahom puthis, he would be required for a longer period; in the above calculation, I am only estimating for the cost of copying and translating the more important puthis in Balin Phanidhar's list. For this purpose, I think that a grant of Rs. 400 this year and Rs. 500 next year would suffice to cover all the charges which are likely to be incurred.

19. If the above proposals are sanctioned, it may perhaps be thought impracticable to sanction a separate establishment for searching for manuscripts until the translation of Āhōm pathis has been brought to a conclusion, but even if no special staff is employed, I think we might

be doing something. District officers and others can search for manuscripts and copper plates, and the more important of the former which

 I have just heard of some manuscripts in Sibaagar which will probably prove very interesting. are known might be copied.\* If a small grant of Rs. 500 a year could be allotted for two or three years, it would, I think, suffice to enable us to get photographs,

and rubbings of the inscriptions referred to in paragraph 16 (8), and to obtain copies and translations of such historical and quasi-historical writings as are already known to exist, excluding those in Manipur, for the copying and translating of which the State might fairly be called upon to provide the necessary funds. It would also leave a margin for the parchase of the coins referred to in paragraph 16 (1) (3) and (4) whenever any new ones are brought to light, and if any money should still remain available, it might profitably be spent in the gradual exploitation of the old ruins of palaces, forts, and temples which are scattered all over the province. In the meantime, enquiries could be carried on by the district staff and other persons interested into the different sources of information indicated in this Note, and we should thus be able to know, by the time the copying and translating of Abom puthis has come to an end, in what directions it would be best to continue our operations with a view to rescuing from oblivion the past history of the province.

E. A. GAIT.

Shillono, The 6th September, 1894.

The following papers were read:-

1. Note on the Oriental Species of the rhopalocerous genus EGETTELA, Boisdwal.—By LIONEL DE NICE'VILLE, ESQ., F. E. S., C. M. Z. S., &c.

In 1869, Dr. A. R. Wallace in his "Notes on Eastern Butterflies"\* enumerated two species of the genus Eurytela, Boisduval, as occurring in the East, E. castelnaui, Felder, from the Malay Peninsula (Singapore), and Borneo, and E. horsfieldii, Boisduval, from Java. No new oriental species have since been described, but the known habitat of these two species has been greatly extended since then. I find on a close examination of my large series of specimens of the genus, that they can be split up considerably into distinct species; these I briefly characterise below. I have not thought it necessary to figure the new species from India, as Mr. F. Moore will shortly deal with them in his "Lepidoptera Indica," vol. ii. E. fruhstorferii, however, from Java, will be more fully described and figured elsewhere hereafter.

Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1869, p. 331.

Eurytelas appear to be always rare, never occurring in large numbers anywhere. Captain E. Y. Watson has noted that their flight is like that of Neptis, as they fly with wings extended flat, parallel with the ground; they settle on the tips of leaves with open wings, and then raise their wings slowly over their backs. This note I can confirm, having seen E. horsfieldii alivo in the forests at Selesseh in North-Eastern Sumatra. The females of all the oriental species of Eurytela on the wing remind one at once of tawny Neptes, or more closely of species of Ergolis, which is, I believe, a protected genus, and of which the very differently-coloured females of Eurytela are probably mimics.

#### 1. EURYTELA CASTELNAUI, Felder.

E. castelnaui, Felder, Wien. Ent. Monatsch., vol. iv, p. 401, n. 26 (1860); idem, id., Reise Novara, Lep., vol. iii, p. 450, n. 739, pl. lxi, figs. 6, 6, male (1868); id., Wallace, Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1869, p. 331, n. 1; id., Distant, Rhop. Malay., p. 136, n. i, pl. xv, fig. 10, male (1883); p. 441, pl. xliii, fig. 10, female (1886); id., de Nicéville, Butt. of Ind., vol. ii, p. 13 (1886); id., Staudinger, Ex. Schmett., p. 105, pl. xxxix, male (1885).

Habitat: Malay Peninsula (Febler); Singapore; Borneo (Wallace); Perak, Malay Peninsula (Distant); Sumatra (Snellen); Nias Island (Kheil); Palawan, Philippine Isles (Staudinger); Daunat Range, Tenasserim, Burma; Taiping and Perak, Malay Peninsula; N.-E. Sumatra; Nias Island (coll. de Nicéville).

Malo specimens taken in December on the Daunat Range, Tenasserim, have on the apperside of the hindwing a prominent discal black line extending from the costs to the abdominal margin. This black line is also present in one specimen from Sumatra in my collection.

#### 2. EURYTELA PRUHSTORFERH, n. sp.

HABITAT: Central Java, 1500 feet.

The male of this species may be known from the same sex of *E. castelnaui*, Felder, on the upperside of both wings in the blue coloration being of a different shade, distinctly lighter, with a strong gloss, which in some lights causes the surface to present a distinctly glossy green appearance. In figuring *E. castelnaui*, Felder quite correctly portrays the npperside "without gloss," and Dr. A. R. Wallace notes the same thing. The only difference in markings noticeable is on the upperside of the hindwing, *E. castelnaui* having the submarginal black line very narrow and clearly defined, *E. fruhstorferii* having it many times broader, and the edges somewhat diffused.

#### 3. EURYTELA HORSFIELDII, Boisduval.

E. horsfieldii, Boisduval, Faun. Ent. Madagasc., p. 54, n. 1, male (1833); id., de Nicéville (part), Butt. of Ind., vol. ii, p. 12, n. 302 (1886); E. horsfieldi, Wallace,

Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1869, p. 331, n. 2; E. stephensii, Boisduval, Faun. Ent. Madagasc., p. 55, n. 2, female (1833).

HABITAT:——— (Boisdural); Java (Wallace); P Fort Stedman. Shan States (Manders); P Karen Hills; P Singmo, Shan States (Elwes); Katha, Meplé (April), Burma; N.-E. Sumatra; Preanger, Java (colls, de Nicéville and Watson).

The male of this species is characterised on the upperside of both wings by its rich dark blue coloration, with a very broad submarginal black band to the hindwing. The female, of which I possess a single example only from Sumatra, has the paler markings of the upperside of a somewhat dark shade of ochreous. I have not access to the original description of this species, so cannot say if Dr. Boisduval characterised it from Javan specimens or not; I presume so, however, as Dr. Wallace gives Java as the sole habitat of the species, and its name would indicate that it is a Javan species, as Dr. Thomas Horsfield's researches in the fauna of that island have a world-wide reputation.

#### 4. EURYTELA GLAUCESCENS, n. sp.

E. horsfieldii, de Nicéville (part, nec Boisduval), Butt. of India, vol. ii, p. 12, n. 302 (1886).

Habitat: Papun (November and December), Methalauk near Papun (November), Karen Hills, 500-1500 ft. (December), Toungu (December), Meplé (October and December), all in Burma; Central Java, 1,500 feet (colls. de Nicéville and Watson).

The male of this species may be known from the same sex of E. horsfieldii, Boisduval, by its very much duller coloration on the upperside, being of an almost plumbeous or glaucous tint instead of a rich indigo-blue; and it does not possess a broad submarginal black band to the hindwing, and the submarginal black line on the forewing also is obsolete. The female (of which I have access to three specimens) is in two examples from Papun of a more inteons shade on the upperside than in my single Sumatran example of E. horsfieldii, in another Papun example the shade of colour of the upperside is very dark and might be described as dull ferraginous, with the apical portion alone of the broad discal band common to both wings inteous on the forewing.

#### 5. EURYTELA ANDAMANENSIS, n. sp.

Eurytela horsfieldi, Moore (nec Boisduval), Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1877, p 585; E. horsfieldii, Wood-Mason and de Nicéville (nec Boisduval), Journ. A. S. B, vol. xlix, pt. 2, p. 228, n. 21 (1880); idem, id., l.c., vol. l, pt. 2, p. 245, n. 28 (1881); id., (part), de Nicéville, Butt. of Ind., vol. ii, p. 12, n. 302, pl. xviii, fig. 69, male (1886).

HABITAT: South Andaman Isles.

. The male of this species agrees with the form which I have con-

sidered to be typical E. horsfieldii, Boisdaval, i.e., it is rich dark blue on the upperside of both wings, with a very broad submarginal black band to the hindwing. The female differs from the same sex of E. horsfieldii on the upperside of both wings in having the broad discal band very pale luteous; as compared with the band in E. horsfieldii it may be said to be almost white so much paler is it; and on the hindwing it is continued almost to the base of the wing.

A Kashmiri War Medal.—By C. J. Rodgers, Esq., Honorary Numismatist to the Government of India.

Some time ago I came across the medal of which the accompanying is a drawing. It has on the obverse the picture of a mountain fort on which is a flag flying. To the left of the fort is the legend-

" Medal " تغید

for bravery جوانبردي at the taking of the Fort

of Maudauri."

On the other side in a leaf pattern area: - ۱۹۲۰ ملک یاسین "The country of Yasin, 1920 Samvat=1863 A.D.





In Amritsar I could get no information about the Fort of Mandauri. I therefore applied to Kashmir through the Resident. I was informed that a medal had been struck and that no further information was available. So I wrote to Captain Trevor of the XVth Sikhs and asked him to make enquiries. He did so, and his correspondent General Panjab Singh wrote him and said that the Fort of Mandauri, which is the name of the fort at Yasin, was taken by General Hosbyārji according to orders received from His Highuess the late Maharaja of

Kashmir, and that after its conquest medals were struck for both officers and men. The drawing is of the medal for the men.

The medal from which I made this drawing is now in the Indian Museum, Calcutta. It is interesting at the present time when Yāsīn, which is beyond Gilgit, is mixed up with our border affairs.

The medal is interesting as being one of the few, known to us, issued by a Native State, as a memento of services in the field.

We ought to have all the medals of all our wars in India, in the Indian Museum and have them edited with notes on the wars for which they were given.

3. Ancient Buddhist Statuettes and a Chandella copper-plate from the Banda District.—By V. A. SMITH, Esq., I. C. S., and W. Hoey, Esq., D. Litt., I. C. S.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

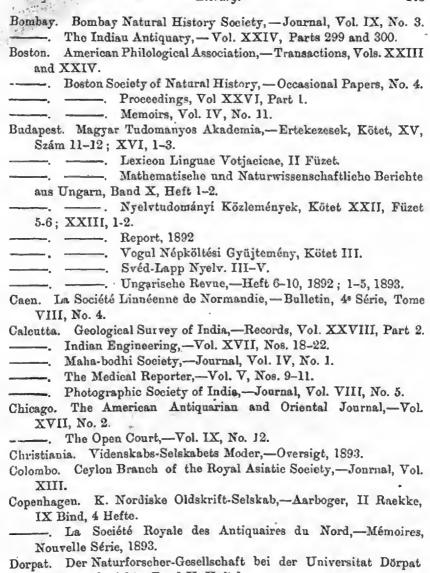
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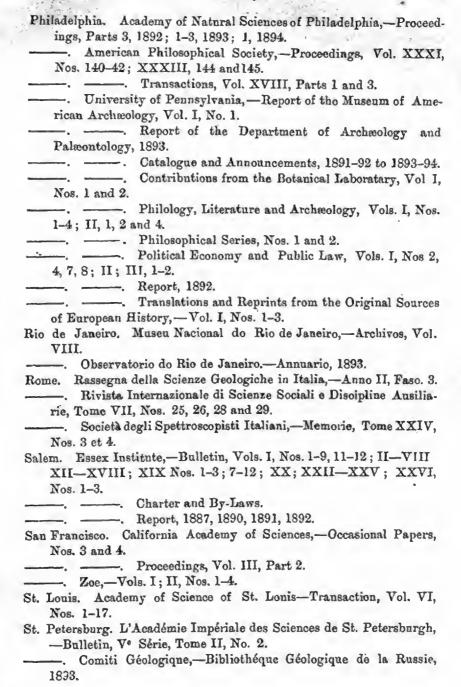
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In Proceedings, A. S. B., for May 1895, page 85, last line:
For Western read Eastern.



#### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR JULY, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 3rd July, 1895, at 9-15 p. M.

DR. G. A. GRIERSON, C. I. E., in the chair.

The following members were present:—
F. Finn, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, J. Mann, Esq., Dr. D. M. Moir, R. D. Oldham, Esq., C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

One hundred and twenty-three presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Memy bers:—

- N. D. Beatson-Bell, Esq., I. C. S.
- N. Bonham-Carter, Esq., I. C. S.
- H. D. Carey, Esq., I. C. S.
- R. W. Carlyle, Esq., I. C. S.
- J. G. Cumming, Esq., I. C. S.
- J. G. Monohan, Esq., I. C. S.
- C. E. A. W. Oldham, Esq., I. C. S.
- A. F. Steinberg, Esq., I. C. S.
- P. J. Melitus, Esq., I. C. S.

Surgeon-Major L. A. Waddell (re-elected).

The following gentleman is a candidate for election at the next meeting:-

Babu Mahendra Nath Ray, Howrah, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson,

seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

Dr. G. M. Giles. Babu Ganeça Chandra Chandra.

The Secretary reported the death of the following members:

A. M. Nash, Esq. (Ordinary Member).

Professor T. H. Huxley (Honorary Member).

The CHAIRMAN reported that Mr. C. R. Wilson had returned to India and had taken charge of the General Secretaryship from Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY read a report of the Committee of the 10th International Congress of Orientalists held at Geneva, on Transliteration.

# 10th international congress of orientalists, Held at geneva.

#### TRANSLATION

OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSLITERATION.

The Commission appointed by the Congress to adopt a system of transcription of the Sanskrit and Arabic Alphabets has held several sessions.

After having examined and discussed the systems in use up to the present time, and having considered the different improvements which have been proposed to the Commission by its Members and other savants, the Commission submits for the approval of the Congress for uniform adoption by Orientalists the systems put forward in the two tables annexed to the present report.

The Commission has taken as a basis for its work the Report drawn up by a special Committee nominated by the Royal Asiatic Society of London, as well as the methods of transcription generally employed in France, in Germany, and by the Bengal Asiatic Society. The Commission does not claim to have arrived at a perfectly scientific system: it has been necessary to have regard to established customs and also to take into consideration the differences of pronunciation

which the letters of the Arabic Alphabet have received in the various Musulman countries.

This is one of the reasons for the two methods of transcription which the Commission has proposed as alternatives for certain letters.

The number of letters whose transcription is a matter of option has been brought to the very lowest possible number consistent with necessity, and we may fairly hope that Orientalists of all countries will take pains to render this number still smaller, by keeping as closely as possible to the method of transcription to which the Commission has deemed it a duty to give the preference.

With regard to the transcription of Sanskrit there has been far less diversity of opinion, and difficulty has only been experienced in the transcription of a very small number of letters.

In such cases, the Commission, in weighing the various equivalents proposed, has chosen those which on the whole appear to be the most practical. To arrive at uniformity, each country and each Society ought to make certain concessions, and the Commission hopes that the systems now put forward by it will be unanimously accepted and put in practice forthwith.

BARBIER DE MEYNARD.	G. T. PLUNKETT.
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Geneva, the 10th September, 1894.	

### TRANSLITERATION OF THE SANSKRIT AND PALI ALPHABETS.

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#### TRANSLITERATION OF ARABIC ALPHABET.

#### Recommended.

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Recommended.

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diphthongs of ay and of aw

s and o may be used in place

of i & u

also ē & ō in Indian dialects,

ü & ö in Turkish. - J of

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#### ADDITIONAL IN PERSIAN, HINDI AND PAKSHTU.

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> TURKISH LETTERS. (Omitted.)

HINDI AND PAKSHTO.

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PAKSHTÜ LETTERS.

Also in India will be recognized g for c, g for s, and g for ف.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMISSION FOR THE TRANSCRIPTION OF THE SANSERIT AND PRAKRIT ALPHABETS.

The Sub-Commission appointed to consider the transcription in Roman characters of Sanskrit and Prakrit has done me the honour of entrusting me with the duty of communicating to you its views.

My first duty is to recall to you the terms in which the question was placed before the Commission - who were not asked to elaborate an Alphabet of a theoretical nature capable of completely satisfying all linguistic demands. That would have been an arduous, and to tell the truth, an impossible task, inasmuch as, to be really definite, the proposals would have had to take into account not only scientific results already achieved or supposed to be achieved, but these also which without doubt, are beld in reserve for the future. Its mission was a more modest one. In presence of the systems of transcription already adopted, if I may so say in the rough - on one hand by the Royal Asiatic Society and on the other by the Deutsche morgenländische Gesellschaftbut open to modifications of detail, the Commission was called upon to express its opinion, and to attempt above all to arrive, by certain eclectic corrections, at the unification of the two series. We have neither the right nor the power to establish a universal uniformity, which would be the real desideratum.

For instance, I myself did not put forward any French proposition. The transcriptions in customary use in the various countries have nevertheless, in a general way, shewn such an evident tendency to approach one another that it hardly seems presumptuous in these days, to predict a unanimous accord in the not distant future. It was then desirable to decide those propositions which appeared, from their very simplicity, to be of a nature to form by degrees, a rallying point for all.

We were not able to lose sight of the essentially practical nature of the task assigned to us: we were above all bound to pay special attention to the presumed feeling of India, where the adoption of an uniform transcription in proper names and for daily use is so urgently necessary.

Under these circumstances, the Commission could not fail to incline towards pure and simple acquiescence in the propositions which had been submitted to their consideration, in so far as these propositions were concordant: and this principlo met with the unanimous approval of the Commission, except in one point.

The two proposals agree in transcribing the r and l vowels by r and l (dotted).

Monsieur de Saussure, who is a high authority on these matters,

thinks that he cannot accept this notation, and he has been kind enough to reduce his reservatious to writing in the following terms:—

"It is desirable, in the interests of Indo-European linguistic science, and quite apart from all personal conceptions of the question, that the notation r, l should be preferred to the notation r l for this reason, that in the analysis of overy Indo-European language Sanskrit not excepted, the vowels m n hold a position in all respects equivalent to that of the vowels r l; consequently, if we adopt r l, we compel linguists to write m n, and as a further consequence there arises a confusion between m and certain notations of anusvara—and between n and the cerebral consouant n."

The Sub-Commission is compelled to recognize the force of this argument which is, moreover, all the stronger from the fact that MM. Bühler and Windisch bear testimony that the German Oriental Society had originally of its own accord inserted in its programme the transcription r and l, with a circle. If in spite of this, the Sub-Commission has not thought fit to propose the adoption of this amendment, its action is due to considerations of a purely practical nature. The German Committee only decided upon the transcription r and l (with a dot) after due discussion, and a special vote.

Would it then be wise to reopen the debate upon a question of detail upon which the German Committee finally accepted without previous agreement, the English proposals? Would not this be to endanger at the very outset, au undertaking the success of which is so eagerly desired? On the other hand, it seems essential to the really wide and general spread of the system, that it should as far as possible, offer to the eyes even of the uninitiated, only such symbols as will neither grate against their sensibilities nor startle them—signs with which they are sufficiently familiar from their habitual use in other directions in the current alphabet.

It is moreover only too evident that the transcription in which we attempt to come to an understanding, would not satisfy the demands of linguistic science, in themselves perfectly legitimate at least without many other retouchings which must, however, be given up since the only excuse for introducing them would condemn the attempt beforehand to an annoying barrenness of results. I pass on to the points very few in number, in which we have been obliged to exercise a choice, owing to the two systems not agreeing. No sign for the long l vowels has been fixed upon by the German Oriental Society. The notation proposed by the Loudon Society, by meams of l with two dots underneath it, appears to recommend itself. Typographic exigencies do not permit of the letter l being surmounted by the sign of the long accent. This lack

of symmetry; side by side with r and f, has so much the less importance because the l as a long vowel is more rarely used.

For the e and the o in Sanskrit it seems of no advantage to place the sign of the long accent above the letter; no confusion is possible: and it appears preferable to keep the use of diacritical signs for exceptional cases where, whether in Sanskrit or in Prakrit, one has to denote the short e or the short o, ĕ, ŏ.

For the guttural n, we propose to adopt n with a dot above it. It does not seem that there is any ground for introducing as the London table proposes, a particular sign specially invented to meet this unique case. The notation n is widely used among Indianists of all countries, and as for the objection which the London Society advances against the addition of a discritical sign over a cousonant, this has all the less weight with us in that every one agrees in accepting the form n to represent the palatal n. The notation n is based on the analogy of other nasals and need give rise to no surprise.

By a very curious change of positions it is the English who propose c for the palatal sibilant and the Germans who propose the notation s, whereas s was originally very generally employed in the Euglish trancriptions and c in those of the continent. This is perhaps, for the very reason of the wide diffusion of this sign c, the most delicate point upon which you have to decide.

Your Sub-Committee did not underrate the difficulties which exist in modifying old customs, and the danger there is of more serious error between three different s forms. If however, they finally decide in favour of the transcription i, this decision is not due to any excessivo desire for symmetry between the sibilants, but is for three reasons which it will suffice to rapidly indicate.

The first is happily expressed by the report of the London Society. It rightly recommends preference being given to transcriptions of such a kind that in cases where the discritical signs are compulsorily or accidentally omitted, the pronunciation will not be too far disfigured for European ears. Although this principle is not capable of invariable application it is good to keep to it as far as possible.

On the other hand, great stress has been laid upon the disfavour with which the notation c is sure to be regarded in India: the French practice having only familiarised very few people with this letter. This would come as a surprise to the great majority of those interested. Dr. Bühler considers that if we attempted to bring over to it, for example the Indian Antiquary, we should encounter an invincible opposition. This is a consideration whose gravity it is impossible to ignore. The superiority of s for clearness and convenience of indexing has no less impressed the Commission.

The table of the German Oriental Society transcribes the cerebral l by l with a point subscript. There is not it is true any serious risk of confusion in practice between the vowel and the cerebral l. It is however preferable to establish a difference between the writing of the two fetters, so that each separate symbol of the Devanágari alphabet may possess its appropriate equivalent in the alphabet of transcription. The l with a line subscript answers perfectly, as the London Society proposes, for the notation of the cerebral l.

Against this the transcription of Anunasika by m in place of the simple sign — placed above the vowel recommends itself at once by its symmetry with the notation m of the anuswara and by the advantage which it possesses of reflecting, by an alphabetic character the phonetic value of which it is the exponent equally with all the other signs. Upon these bases, the alphabet of transcription would be thus constituted.

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a ā i ī u ū ŗ ṛ l l e ai o au k kh g gh n c ch j jh n t th d dh n t th d dh n p ph b bh m y r l v ś ş s h l m m visarga ḥ jihvāmūlīya ḥ upadhmānīya ḥ
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As to the accents, the udatta would be represented by the acute accent'; the svarita by the circumflex ^; and the anudatta by the grave accent'.

Such, gentlemen, are the modest conclusions without pretensions to being systematic, which your Sub-Committee has the honour to submit to you.

Your Sub-Committee is of opinion that it is only by very carefully adjusted reforms that it will be possible to make any decisive progress in the unification of rival systems.

The cooperation of two powerful Societies such as the German Oriental Society and the Royal Asiatic Society of London whose agreement under these conditions would appear to be assured, cannot fail to be a very powerful lever.

There is moreover every ground for hope that propositions so eclectic and so little ambitious will command even other and valuable adherents.

EMILE SENART.

#### PROPOSALS

#### OF THE

# SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE TRANSLITERATION OF THE ARABIC ALPHABET.

1. The Committee agree upon the following:

- 2. For they recommend j but will allow dj to be used as a substitute.
- 3. For i d but allow z in India.
- 4. For b t and for b z. This is to avoid upsetting the Indian accepted system elsewhere t and z will suffice.
- 5. For y whenever is a consonant. Whilst fully appreciating the reasons why German Orientalists have preferred j, the Committee feel obliged to adopt the character used throughout India and by English, French and many other writers and scholars.
- tat the commencement of a word need not be transliterated, Hamzah
  in the middle or at the end of a word to be represented by'
  above the line.
- ·7. For e 'above the line (a comma reversed).
- چ رُغ ش ذ خ ث

t h d s g s ç but agree that th kh dh sh gh zh ch may be used as substitutes

for the above.

They consider that t, h etc., are better than t, h, t, h etc., or any others in which the mark is placed above the consonant, as in this position the mark may be taken for the accent of a yowel,

the cross of a t, etc., etc.

They will allow in India as substitutes for the above a s and s z.

- 9. For , as a consonant w.
- 10. For I in Persian, Hindustani & Turkish g.
- 11. (Omitted.)

12. That the Hindi and Pakshtū characters be represented thus

13. The J of the article Jt always to be transliterated 1.

14. That the vowel-points be 'a, 7 i, ' u.

The lengthened vowels I'ā, ¿ i, j'ā. That e and o may be used in place of i and ū in these languages in which it may be necessary. That ü and ö may be also used in Turkish and ē and ō in Indian dialects.

That the so called diphthongs 'and b' be ay and aw.

G. T. PLUNKETT.

THE HONORARY PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY laid on the table two communications received from Maulvi Abdul Wali of Sailkapa, Jessore, regarding Mr. W. Irvine's article on Guru Gobind Singh and Banda, and the correspondence between that gentleman and Mr. C. J. Rodgers on the same subject.2 Maulvi Abdul Wali states that the name of the author of the Farrukh Shah Namah 8 was Mir Muhammad Ahsan, and not Ihsan. The book is wrongly called Farrukhsiyar namah During the reign of Shah 'Alam, Mir Muhammad Ahsan Ijad was appointed Vakil to the sarkar of Prince 'Azīmu-sh-shāu, son of Shāh 'Alam, by Asaf Jah (Nizāmu-l-mulk), and was given by that Prince a command of three thousand troop. In Farrakhsiyar's reign he received the title of Mā'nīyāb Khān and was employed by him to write the Shāh Nāmah. which he used to show once a week to the Emperor, receiving on each occasion a roward of Rs. 1,000, and a Khil'at. Having completed his History to the end of Farrukhsiyar's reign, Muhammad Ahsan died in 1133 H.

The above facts are extracted from Mir Ghulam 'Ali Āzād's Biographical work, the Khazāna-i-Amirah.

The Maulvi also suggests that the correct spelling of Lohgarh and sacā pādshāh on p. 134 of the Journal, Vol. LXIII, Pt. I, should be Löhägarh and saccā pādshāh respectively. He translates the inscription on p. 135 as follows: 'Guru Göbind Singh inherited from (not found in) Nānak, sword, pot, and conquest, help without hindranco.' As regards Sadhaura or Sādhaurā, he points out that Mir Chülam 'Ali Azād in

<sup>1</sup> See Journal, Vol. LXIII, Pt. I, pp. 112 and following.

<sup>2</sup> See Proceedings for 1895, pp. 35 and ff.

<sup>8</sup> Proceedings, 1895, p. 37

Incorrectly called the Khiranah-i 'Amirah of Ghulam 'Ali Arad, on p. 38 of the Proceedings for 1895.

the Khazāna-i-Amirah (Lith. Ed. p. 425) says that Ananda-ram, Mukhliş the poet and raīs, was an inhabitant of sudahrah or Sūduhrah within the jurisdiction of Lāhōr. He suggests that this may possibly be the same place as Sādhaurā.

The Honorary Philological Secretary exhibited a remarkable carved conch shell, forwarded by Mr. Gait, and read the following letter from that geutleman which accompanied it. The Inscription reads १५८२ एकन पन्न मामन न्नी-नी-यन नीर-दण-नारायण कासन र सन्न काटि।

DEAR SIR,

I am sending for exhibition a shell with the ten avatārs carved on it, which has been found in the possession of a native of the Cachar District, and forwarded to me for inspection by Babu Krishna Kumar De, Assistant Settlement Officer. The shell is interesting on account of the inscription, which is to the effect that it was carved in the reign of Vîra-darpa-nārāyaṇa, in the month of Agrahāyaṇa, 1593 Çaka (1671 A.D.)\* No written records of the Kacharī rāj have hitherto come to light, and the traditions of the people give little more than a long list of kings. Auy items of definite information such as that contained in this inscription, are, therefore, most useful.

The same King is referred to in an Āhōm burañji, which was translated into Assamese and published in the Arunōdai of 1851 A.D., in which it is stated that in 1567 Çaka (1645 A.D.), he sent messeugers to the Āhōm King, Nariā rājā, asking for his daughter in marriage. In this burañji he is called also Hidimbēçvara and Vīra-bhadra.

The same burañji speaks of a Kāchārī invasion in 1410 Çaka (1488 A.D.), in the course of which the Āhōms were defeated on the bank of the Dikhu river. Thirty-seven years afterwards an Āhōm force ascended the Dhansiri river to attack the Kāchārīs, and a few years later, in another war, the Kachārī Kiug, Khuukhara, was killed, and one Neochung was set up in his place. In 1457 Çaka (1535 A.D.), Neochung was in his turn attacked, and his brick city at Duimaphr was sacked; Neochung himself escaped at the time, but was subsequently captured and beheaded. About 1525 Çaka (1603 A.D.) there were hostilities between the Kāchārīs and the Jaintia rājā, in which the latter managed to embroil the Āhōm King, by offering him his daughter in marriage on condition that he should fetch her by a route which lay through the Kāchārī country.

<sup>•</sup> The peculiar symbol used to represent the figure 5 which occurs on coius of the Ahom, Koch, Tippera, and Jaintiä Kings, is found again in this inscription.

An inscription on a ruined temple at Maibong runs— Çaka 1643 (1721 A.D.), Çr Hariçcandra Bhūpati.

There is a Sanad in existence bearing the name of Kīrti-candra-nārāyaṇa, in which certain arrangements are made for the Government of the plains portion of Cachar, which is interesting as showing that the final retreat of the ruling family from Maibong in the North Cachar Hills to Khāspur in the plains of Cachar, had taken place before that date. This movement is said to have been due to oppression by the Jaintiās, just as the exodus from Duimapur to Maibong is ascribed to the continued attacks of the Āhōms. The latter movement probably took place after the sacking of the city in 1457 Çaka (1535 A.D.)

Yours truly, E. A. GAIT.

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1. On Mogul Copper Coins.—By C. J. RODGERS, Esq., Honorary Numismatist to the Government of India.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

2. Description of a new species of Oxyrhynch Crab of the Genus Parthenope. — By Surgeon-Captain A. Alcock, M.B., C.M.Z.S., Superintendent of the Indian Museum.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

- 3. Note on some Coins of Koch Kings.—By E. A. GAIT, Esq., I. C. S.
  - 4. Some Notes on Jaintia History. By E. A. GAIT, ESQ., I. C. S.
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The papers will be published in the Journal, Part I.

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#### **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR AUGUST, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Beugal was held on Wednesday, the 7th August, 1895, at 9-15 P.M.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL GEORGE RANKING, M.D., in the chair.

The following members were present:-

Maulvi Abdus Salam, Dr. A. R. S. Anderson, F. Finn, Esq., Dr. G. A. Grierson, Bābu Pañcānana Mukerjee, L. de Nicéville, Esq., R. D. Oldham, Esq., Paṇḍit Haraprasād Çāstrī, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Forty-four presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentleman duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society was ballotted for and elected an Ordinary Member:—

Bābu Mahendranāth Rāy.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

T. W. Richardson, Esq., I.C.S., proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking.

Bābu Rām Dîn Singh, Bankipur, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Bābu Lachmi Nārāyan Sing, M.A., B.L., Vakeel, High Court, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by Paṇḍit Haraprasād Çāstrī.

Henry DeCourcy Agnew, Esq., proposed by J. Mann, Esq., seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Rai Yatindranāth Rāy, M.A., B.L., Zeminder of Taki, proposed by Mahāmahopādhyāya Maheç Candra Nyāyaratna, seconded by Bābu

Pratapa Candra Ghosa.

Shams-ul-Ulama Shaikh Mahomed Gilani, Persian Instructor to Government, proposed by Surgeon-Lieut.-Col. G. Ranking, seconded by Dr. G. A. Grierson.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

Bābn Hem Candra Gosvāmī.

The Secretary reported the death of the following members:—Dr. V. Ball (non-Subscribing Member).
Dr. R. Gösche, (Associate Member).
Professor Rudolf von Roth (Honorary Member).

THE HONORARY PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY read the following announcement of the death of Professor Rudolf von Roth, au Honorary Member of the Society.

The Council regret that it has fallen to their duty to report the death, in the seventy-fifth year of his age, of Professor Rudolf von Roth, Doctor of Philosophy, Theology and Laws, Ordinary Professor of Oriental Languages and Chief Librarian of the University of Tübingen, Member of the Academies of Berlin, Munich, Göttingen, Vienna, St. Petersburg and Paris, and an Honorary Member of the Asiatic Society of Bongal, which took place on the 23rd June, 1895.

Rudolf Roth was born at Stuttgart on April 3rd, 1821. After taking his degree at Tübingen, he went to Paris, where, together with Max Müller, he studied Oriental Literature under Burnonf. He then proceeded to England, where he applied himself to the Vedic MSS. of the East India House and the Bodleian, and returned to Tübingen in Shortly afterwards he published his first work on the Literature and History of the Véda, which was received with great favour. In 1848 he was appointed Extraordinary, and, in 1856, Ordinary Professor of Oriental Languages at Tübingen; since which time he published numerous essays and treatises of minor importance; but the work with which his name is imperishably connected is the great St. Petersburg Sanskrit Lexicon, the first volume of which appeared in 1855, while the last was completed in 1875, twenty-five years after the book was first undertaken. In this he was associated with Dr. Böhtlingk, who took charge of the department of Classical Sanskrit, while Roth principally devoted himself to Vodic, and to Medical Literature. Roth's contribntion to this monumental work has ever since remained the founda-

tion of all Vedic rescarch; this is the greater testimony to his learning and accuracy, when we remember that at the time when he wrote, there were few printed texts available, and nearly all his information had to be collected from manuscript materials.

Oriental scholars feel that in losing Rudolf von Roth, the "old man cloquent" of Sanskrit learning, they have lost not only a great teacher but a close friend. His hospitable house on the vine-clad banks of the Neekar was ever open to the travelling student, where the boundless stores of his learning were ungrudgingly placed at the disposal of the inquirer. He had many distinguished pupils, of whom, perhaps, the late Professor Whitney is the best known, and when the Philological Secretary was in Tübingen some ten years ago, he found there, studying under him, pupils of men who had been Whitney's pupils, all of whom had sat in turn at the feet of the eminent Professor.

Dr. von Roth was elected an Honorary Member of this Society in 1881. He was ennobled by the late king of Württemberg in recognition of his great services to oriental scholarship. The University of Edinburgh gave him the degree of LL.D., honoris causa, and he was honoured in various ways by many Continental Academies and Societies, but the greatest testimony to his learning, is the monument, are perennius, which he has left in the pages of the St. Petersburg Worterbuch.

The SECRETARY reported that Mr. N. D. Bentson-Bell had compounded for his subscription as non-resident member by the payment in a single sum of Rs. 300.

The HONORARY PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY exhibited a copper-plate grant, by which king Civa Simha of Mithila gave the village of Bisapi to the famous poet Vidyapati Thakkura, and made the following remarks :-

This grant was translated by me in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. XIV (1885), p. 190, in an article entitled 'Vidyapati and his contemporaries.' I had then to depend on a copy procured through the agency of a Pandit. The Grant is dated in the era of Lakamana-Séna, 292, equivalent to A.D. 1400. The corresponding Vikrama-sambat, Çak, and (apparently) Hijra dates are also given. For reasons which it is unnecessary to state, I was unable then to get hold of the original plate. My attention has been again drawn to the matter by an article of Dr. Eggeling, No. 2864 of Part IV of the Catalogue of the Sanskrit MSS. in the Library of the India Office. In describing a MS. of the Durgā-bhakti-tarangini, he discusses the whole question of Vidyapati's life and times. There is no doubt that the date of this grant gives rise to serious difficulties in regard to the chronology of Vidyāpati's life, and it is, as Dr. Eggeling says, desirable that the grant itself should be carefully examined. Through the kind offices of Mr. Tute, the Collector of Darbhanga, I have at length been able to obtain possession of the plate for a limited period. It has been photo-zincographed, and a reduced facsimile is published in the *Proceedings* of the Society (Plate III), so as to allow of its leisurely examination by experts in epigraphy.

The following papers were read :-

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2. Description of Lhasa Cathedral, translated from the Tibetan.—By

SURGEON-MAJOR L. A. WADDELL, LL. D.

3. Note on Visnupur Circular Cards.—By PANDIT HARAPRASAD CASTRI, M.A.

The papers will be published in the Journal, Part I.

4. A contribution to the History of Artificial Immunity.—By Surgeon Lieut.-Col. George Ranking, M.D.

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The papers will be published in the Journal, Part II.

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#### **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL.

FOR NOVEMBER, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 6th November, 1895, at 9 r.m.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL G. RANKING, M.D., in the chair.

The following members were present :-

H. K. W. Arnold, Esq., Bābu Nagendarnātha Basu, His Grace Archbishop Dr. P. Goethals, Dr. G. A. Grierson, C. Little, Esq., Bābu Pañcānana Mukerjee, L. de Nicéville, Esq., Dr. D. Prain, Bābu Mahedranātha Roy, Rai Jatindranātha Roy, Paudit Haraprasād Çāstrī, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitor: - Bābu Tarapada Chatterjee.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Ninety-fivo presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library list appended.

The Secretary reported that the following gentlemen had been elected Ordinary Members of the Society during the recess in accordance with rule 7:—

T. W. Richardson, Esq.
Bābu Rām Din Singh.
Bābu Lachminārāyan Singh.
Henry DeCourcy Agnew, Esq.
Rai Yatindranath Rāy.
Shams-ul-Ulama Shaikh Mahomed Gilani.
Kiran Chandra De, Esq.
Moulvie Mahomed Abdul Kadar, Khan Bahadur

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting.

J. Kennedy, Esq., I.C.S., Magistrate and Collector of Murshidabad, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Charles Swift Delmerick, Esq., Sub-Deputy Opium Agent, Budaon, proposed by V. A. Smith, Esq., seconded by Dr. G. A. Grierson.

Pandit Harimohan Vidyabhushan, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

F. B. Shawe, Esq.

The Secretary reported the death of the following members :-

M. Louis Pasteur, Paris (Honorary Member).

H. H. The Maharaja of Jahore (Ordinary Member).

The Charman announced that in accordance with Rule 38 of the Society's Bye-laws, the names of the following gentlemen had been posted up as defaulting members since the last Monthly General Meeting, and would now be removed from the Members' list, and that the fact would be published in the Proceedings.

J. B. Lee, Esq.
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The Philological Secretary laid on the table letter No. 3325, dated 21st September, 1895, from the Under-Secretary to the Government of Bengal, General Department, covering copy of a communication addressed to the Government of India in the Revenue and Agricultural Department, with enclosures, reporting on the measures taken by the Lieutenant-Governor to procure for the Indian Museum facsimilo reproductions of the Asoka Inscriptions in India.

The following is Mr. Caddy's general report:-...

Dated Calentta, the 22nd August 1895.

From - ALEXANDER E. CADDY, Esq., on Special Duty,

To-The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Revenue Department.

I have the honour to submit a general report of the tour I have just completed and of the operations connected therewith.

- 2. His Honour was pleased to depute me to visit the several sites of the Asoka inscriptions in Bengal enumerated below, and to bring away plaster easts of each inscription. I was also required to photograph the locale of these inscriptions and other objects of allied interest:—
  - I & II .- The two Champaran columns, north and south of Bettiah.
    - III .- The Sasaram rock ediet, in Shahabad.
    - IV.—The dedicatory tablets of the Barabar and Nagarjuni caves—seven in number—in the district of Gaya.
    - V.—The inscribed rock at Jangado in Ganjam, in the Madras Presidency.
    - VI.—The inscribed rock at Dhauli, about 25 miles due south of Cuttack.
    - VII.—The inscription of Aira Raja in the cave at Udaigiri, about 6 miles north of Dhauli.
    - VIII.—The dedicatory and descriptive tablets in the *Udaigiri* caves—nine in number.
- 3. At a committee held in your rooms provious to this appointment, at which Sir Alfred Croft and Mr. Jobbins were present, it was determined that the casts should be in plaster of Paris, and that the monlds should be brought to Calentta and worked out.

My deputation commenced on the 15th October, and I was provided with a staff of two modellers, a plaster man, and khalasi.

Messrs. Mackintosh, Burn, and Company were to supply me all with the gypsum I wanted, as my plaster had to be prepared on the spot.

- 4. My first care had been to study the properties of gypsum and the several processes of converting it into plaster. Mr. Brühl, of the Civil Engineering College at Sibpur, helped me in this considerably, and we determined that the Madras method, as described by Dr. Hunter in one of the 1851 numbers of an Art journal published in Madras, was the best.
- 5. I had seen my modellers at work, but not with satisfaction as to their method: it took too much time; and I consequently devised means whereby a quantity of plaster may be dealt with at once and efficiently.

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6. Taking the mail train at Howrah on the night of the 15th, I reached Mokameh Ghat the next morning. The railway ferry took us on to the Bengal and North-Western Railway line at Semaria Ghat.

and a day's run brought us into Bettiah.

7. In Champaran there are two pillars bearing identical edicts with those on the Allahabad and Delhi columns, one 20 miles north, and the other 21 miles south of Bettiah. The villages in which they stand are both called Lauriya, and a second local name is necessary to distinguish them. Near the northern pillar there is the old rain of the fort of Navandgarh; near the sonthern column are the large market village and the Mahadeo templo of Araraj. The two Lanriyas are distinguished by these names respectively.

The simple term Lauriya would imply the Navandgarh Lauriya by reason of its being a larger village, its having a post-office and a police ontpost, and of the main road to Nepal passing through it. The Ararai Lauriya stood first in the order in which I should take the inscriptions,

and thero I first went.

The two Lauriyas are reached from Bettiah. I rode to Barharwa on an elephant; hence to the column at Lauriya Araraj in a bullock coach.

The Sub-Deputy Opinm Agent, Mr. Bean, asked me down to Barharwa, a village four miles west of Araraj and the head-quarters of his agency. I found every convenience for my work of preparation here, and I have reason to thank Mr. Bean for the facilities he afforded mo.

The rains and floods had just before breaking made traffic difficultios at Mokameh Ghat somewhat serious. My gypsnm had not reached Bettiah, nor my tents. The latter I had determined to leave at Bettiah

till I went north, as tent equipage was already at my disposal.

The work of grinding and sifting gypsnm got on apace. An oven had been built in deference to the wishes of my modellers, who were not acquainted with the boiling method (as the Madras process is termed), and which was finally adopted.

A few canisters of plaster being ready, and the weather permitting.

we went into camp at Lauriya Araraj.

9. The Araraj column stands just by the threshing-floor of the village. It is a sandstone monolith 361 feet high and 120 inches in girth at the inscription. The southern side still retains its beautifully polished surface; on the other side a lichen has slightly abraded it. The inscription is intact.

The work before us was much heavier than we had imagined, and it took proportionately longor doing.

On the 21st November I had the satisfaction of seeing the inscribed

portion of the column in a plaster jacket, and of stripping it the same ovening.

10. As they now lie in the Museum, these mould plaques are curved slabs of plaster of Paris measuring, most of them,  $23'' \times 15''$ , and a little over an inch in depth, enclosing a piece of wire netting bound in an iron frame. Each has been barked from the column after being blocked on to it by pouring the liquid plaster into a cell, the inner side being the inscribed stone surface; the outer a stout sheet of tin, the net being suspended in the hollow. A rubber tube led the plaster quietly to the bottom of the well, thus saving much laborious manipulation. These I brought into Bettiah and left there till my return from the northern Lauriya.

Among other objects of interest shown me by Mr. Gibbon at Bettiah were a few stones from the coping of a well near Tribeni, which bere the honeysuckle ornament of the Erectheum, common to several Asoka columns, and of which he permitted me to take casts, which I have with me now at the Museum. He also arranged for my dák to Lauriya Navandgarh.

11. At Lauriya Navandgarh the work was soon in train. Araraj experiences had taught us some lessons, and we saw the pluster gradually covering the inscribed portion of the column in regular slabs.

This pillar is somewhat smaller than that at Araraj; the latter is massive, and its capital, if it had any, was long since lost. This is the more graceful of the two, and is surmounted by a lion capital. The shaft and inscription are in the same condition as that at Araraj, and in the same material. The conchant lion faces the rising sun. He sits on a circular abaeus, the rim of which is girdled by a string of hans (the sacred geese of the Buddhists). This rests on a cable string-course which crowns a Persepolitan lotus-capital or terminal, whose gracefully drooping petals end just outside an egg and dart evole, the entablature finishing below in a second cable string-course. The design and workmanship disclose both knowledge and power. The jaw of the lion has been destroyed.

12. I had a rajmistri go up to the entablature and mould off a portion of the goose frieze and of the terminal, so that when the column is set up in the Museum it will not end quite abruptly.

13. At the Navandgarh Lauriya, while examining one of the ancient barrows which characterise this village, I found two belts of iron in the same prependicular axis, from which I surmised they must have bound the earth end of some tall pole. It is probable the report noted by General Cunuingham regarding an iron coffin may have had its origin in some such find. From here I returned to Bettiah by elephant, and

stayed at the dák bungalow till my cases were despatched to Calcutta. There were 86 moulding pieces in 12 cases.

14. My next journey was to Sasaram. Travelling back by rail to Mokamel, I joined the East Indian Railway regular line at Bankipere, whence 32 miles to Arrah.

At Arrah the Sone Canal has a terminal lock. It is the head-quarters station of Shahabad. A contract steamer plies the canal to Dehri, in which I travelled the 51 miles from Arrah. The remaining eighteen miles I had to drive to Sasaram. I arrived there on the 31st December, and on New Year's Day I had the mould of the rock inscription completed.

Where the Kaimur range of hills ends in the sandstone cliffs near Sasaram,—on the crest of its last peak, some 400 feet above the surrounding country, may be seen the chirāg of a Muhammadan fakir of a dark night. In the day the white temb of a Muhammadan saint gleams above it. The chirāgdān (or candle-stick) stands in a small recess on the broken side of the cliff towards Sasaram. A wall is built on either side of it not quite five feet high. Two ledged rocks make an angle pointing inward, where the chirāgdān on a third rock stands at the apex. The ledge on the left hand bears an inscription 42 inches long and about a foot deep. It is an extra edict of Asoka, and is important for the figured date it bears, 256 years of the Nirvana.

From below, the entrance to the cave may be observed as a small square hole in the hillside near the top. The inscription itself is scarcely known, even in Sasaram.

15. So soon as my Sasaram case was despatched, we returned to Bankipore to take the Gaya railway, which has its junction here with the East Indian Railway.

Gaya is 57 miles—a three hours' run from Bankipore. I made it my base and sent out my camp to the Baraear hills, 15 miles north. The little station of Bela is 12 miles up the line from Gaya—45 miles from Bankipore; itstands abreast of a group of hills. The nearer one, Kauwā Dhāl, with its grand tor surmounting it, makes a very picturesque mass. A road takes one east from Bela, past this hill and the hill next it, where it norths and skirts it at its eastern extremity; then turning east again, passes the Barabar hill-path and the very hely Patalganga well, which receives the perennial waters from a Barabar spring. Again it recurves northward, crosses a field and reaches the Nagarjuni, and ends at the stair leading to the milkmaid's cave. Round the Nagarjuni hill, either way, paths will lead one to the two caves behind, among detached boulders.

16. The locality about the Barabar hills is one of the Holy Places of the Buddhists.

Here, over the dome-like tops of an outcrop of granite, has been cut a stepped-path which leads to the caves which were at one time an important centre of Buddhist devotion. Long granite rocks with domed roofs run north-east and south-west. In one of them three chambers of some size have been excavated, each with its own door, which is recessed considerably into the rock, to allow the perpendicular walls of the cave to be a safe distance from the outer contour of the mass. I had to bring away moulds of the dedicatory tablets to each of these caves. and to make photographs of them. This was soon done. Of the caves, the one with the most imposing exterior is least finished inside. The work here seems to have been abandoned on the workmen coming on a fissure of more than usual dimensions, but the other two caves and the entrance to the third, and a good part of the Lomas Rishi cave, too. have their walls and roofs highly polished. The glass-like polish given to these surfaces has been the admiration and wonder of ages.

17. The doorway of the Lomas Rishi cave represents the entrance to a handsome hut-chapel, the arch being enriched by a frieze of elephants, the space surrounding it being filled with an elaborate wainscotting. The door has sloping jambs, Egyptian-like. The rock is a quartzoso gneiss, and where the elephants are carved, a whiter stone makes the

ornament very effective.

The Sudama cave, called also Nyagrodha \* or Banian tree, has a perfect chamber terminating in a Chaitya chapel, the whole circular

dome being carefully made and highly polished.

19. The third cave in this rock is on its other face. The Karnachopar is a single chamber. It bears a very much worn tablet outside, on which I was able to trace the representation of a fish which does not seem to have been observed before. In the doorway, too, there is some fino lettering (comparatively modern), and a word or two in the still undeciphered shell character. Another cave in this range of hills lies east of this group and opens southward. A small vestibule of polished gneiss or granito (as it is commonly called) leads to an unfinished inner Chaitya-a very small one. The inscription, being in the polished recess, is in excellent preservation except where viciously chiselled out.

20. On either side of this rocky ridge there is a plain which would held a large assembly. To the north-east there is a shallow tank beyond which is an extensive field from which the hills rise up a few hundred feet, and which is crowned with a Hindu temple of the Siddhes-

wara linga referred to in a later inscription in the Vapiya cave.

<sup>&</sup>quot;" Nigoha Khubha" - Banian tree cave, according to General Cunningham. It seems that caves were often named after some tree growing near by c. g. Nyagrodha, the Banian tree; Pippali, the Pipal tree; Saptaparna, a septafid tree.

21. Not far from here, about a mile or more by road, is another group of hills of the same material. Here there are three more eaves which form the Nagarjuni group. The Gopi cave is very picturesquely situated some seventy feet above the plain. It is a large vaulted chamber, nearly fifty feet long. Both ends are circular. It is approached by a flight of stone stairs, but a small crenelated brick wall completely hides the door. Masses of granite boulders are fantastically piled up over the cave roof. I am sorry to say I did not obtain a photograph of this very picturesque spot owing to the failure of my apparatus—it had been too much in the hands of coolies of late.

22. The following list particularises the seven Magadha caves:—
The Barabar caves. 1, 2 and 3 dedicated by Raja Piyadasi—

- Sudama cave. [The Nyagrodha or Banian tree] 33 feet x 19;
   vaulted, 12½ feet high. Inner domed chapel: 18 feet in diameter: two lines of inscription record its gift to mendicauts. 251 B. C.
  - Viswa-Jhopri. Vestibule 14 x 8½ x 6½ high. Inner eircular ehapel, irregular, 11 feet diameter at its widest. 251 B.C.
  - Karna-chopar (on the north side of the rock), 33½ feet x 14;
     vaulted, 10¾ feet high. Single room. 244 B.C.
  - Lomas Rishi cave, The same dimension as the Sudama cavo; unfinished ceiling and floor, domed chapel unfinished. No Asoka inscription.

The Nagarjuni caves. Dedicated by Raja Dasaratha, a grandson of Asoka, in the year 218 B.C.—

- Gopika (or milkmaid's cave). Single chamber 46 feet 5 inchesf x 19 feet 2 inches. Vaulted, 10 feet 6 inches high with circular ends.
- Vapiya cave. Vestibule 6 feet x 3 feet x 5½ high, room 16¾ feet x 11¼ and 10¼ feet high, vaulted. So named from a well near by.
- 7. Vadhathika khubba. Is in a cleft of the Vapiya rock, west of the cave. It is a small chamber with a narrow entrance. Inside, a small brick partition has been built with a very narrow entrance.
- 23. Completing the work at my Barabar camp, I return to Gaya, and an opportunity presenting, I took what spare plaster there was to Both Gaya, and took moulds of some objects of allied interest—an inscription on the altar, its honeysuckle and goose ornament, a quadrant of the Vajrāsan, or adamantine throue, and of a quadriga chariot of the sun on one of the pillars now in the Mahanth's house.
  - 24. I was also able to secure a photograph of the temple with a

characteristic group of the Mahanth and his college of chelas in the foreground,

Preparations for my return to Calcutta complete, I was just leaving Gaya, when a packet was placed in my hands requiring me to go into the Rajgir valley to bring away easts of the long, rambling inscription in the rocky roadway, in what Prinsep has called the "shell" character. I had a reserve cask of gypsum in Bankipore, which I sent on to Bihar. I stayed a day here to consult Mr. O'Donnell, the Magistrate and Collector of Patna, as to the space the inscription occupied, that I might not run short of material eventually. No one, however, seemed to have any idea of the extent of surface covered by the inscription by actual measurement.

25. From Bankipur I traversed the ground between there and Patna. Dr. Waddell identifies this space with the ancient Pataliputra specifically, and I followed the sites consecutively as he details them. Some objects of note and interest lay on the way in modelling and sculpture. In elay there was an unique model of a hill. When Mahendra, the son of Asoka, was converted to Buddhism, during the intense reaction which took place about this period in the religious expression of the people, he sought the valley of Rajagriha for refuge, and the cave of Buddha on Gridhrakūta for meditation. To wean him back to Pataliputra, an artificial bill was built on this spot, and its ruin still retains the name of Bhiknapahāri (the mendicant's bill), the mohulla being called Mahendra. On Bhiknapahāri stood this clay model not so very long ago. Its purpose was evidently to supply the workmen with an idea of the hill as it should be made, and I determined while in the Rajgir valley to discover any resemblance which might exist between model and prototype. It has been an object of worship from time immemorial, and owes its preservation to perennial renewals.

There was some sculpture, too, a carryatid figure of Maha Maya with alto-relievo figures on either side, and a sculptured coping which I saw, belonging to the period of Asoka, and this is absolutely all that is left above ground of the stone-built palace of Asoka, or the court of Chandragupta (Sandracottos).

26. A traveller has to take Rajgir from Bakhtiarpur, 28 miles nearer Calcutta than Bankipore. A mail coach here takes one 19 miles due south to Bihar, where there is an isolated hill of quartzite, once occupied by Buddhists. From here the Subdivisional Officer, Mr. Gupta, drove me down to Rajgir. The road strikes south-west. We left Bargaon at the 7th mile-stone, and turning due south rode through the large village of Silāo (renowned for its sweet pastry); and the lesser one of Panditpur. Here the bar of hills enclosing the Rajgir valley, becomes

more distinct. Another mile (the fifteenth) and we were in the modern Rajgir. This too we pass, and through the ruined fort of old Rajgir, the capital of Magadha before Asoka's time. The walls and ramparts are still from 20 to 50 feet high. Here we halted at the inspection bungalow. Mounds of ruins lie between us and the valley, while right and left are level fields.

As we look southward into the valley, from either side of the emerging stream rise two hills. To the east is Vipula, to the west Baibhār, while inside is the long valley of 42 miles which reaches from Giryak (14 miles due south from Bihar) to Gaya. The pass through this valley is the only traversed spot in its whole length.

In the Rajgir valley I found the inscription to straggle over a space of nearly 200 yards, and to consist of 35 patches, the large deep letters being cut into the floor of a sparry rock, which had been chiselled down to form a roadway 20 feet wide to the Bawanganga defile. The road led from the southern gate of old Rajagriha and the Nekpai embankment to the palace of Jarasandha near where the Bawanganga debouches over a rocky defile into the Panchānan river.

- 27. The "shell" character is still a puzzle to philologists. Most likely it is a cypher for the initiated only, which was in vogue among dispersed Buddhists during the 7th and 8th centuries. General Cunningham, speaking of some of these characters found on a pillar at Rajaona, says as to their readability, "I have already made some progress towards it." He did not know of the Rajgir inscriptions, and does not mention those in the Son Bhandar cave in this valley.
- 28. My workmen were soon on this inscription, and made over eighty moulds without covering the whole inscribed surface. I made tracings of the rest, and having taken bearings and distances, so as to enable me to lay the inscriptions down relatively as they lie on the roadway, I had them packed for Calcutta.
- 29. During the time I was here, I was able to visit the sites of chief interest in the valley.

The valley of Rajgir is all hely ground to the Buddhist.

The sacred feet of Buddha have trod all its paths, his presence has hallowed all its caves, and his touch made holy all its streams. Nor to the Buddhist alone is this holy ground. The Jain is everywhere where the Buddhist has been, and his symbols and tirthankaras occupy all the high places of the Buddhist. To the ordinary Hindu, too, a place sacred to one sect is sacred to him also. The Buddhist pillars of Asoka enter into the Pantheon of the Hindus of each locality as their Phallicomblem. Images of Buddha, and Chaityas from his ruined temples, are everywhere to be found enshrined in groves and holy places. Buddha

himself is absolutely unknown, but his image is worshipped variously; indeed, in one locality, the site of the Nalanda monastery, his image is worshipped as Rukmini. Elsewhere a traditional worship has come down, and I have seen his statue garlanded and milk poured over its mouth-vermeil and redlead touching up every prominent feature, as it also does with overy other object they hold sacred.

- 30. The objects of interest in the Rajgir valley, besides the shell inscriptions, are: --
  - 1st.—The hot springs; where Brahmans have prepared bathing places and built small temples, which make a very picturesque group at the entrance of the valley.

2nd .- The basement known as Jarasandha ka baithak, immediately above these temples.

- 3rd.—The Pipolo cavo; where Buddha used to sit in deep meditation, after his midday meal. Originally it was a pit from which stone was quarried for the basements.
- 4th .- The Great Northern Caves.
- 5th.—A ruined temple of Mahadeo.
- 6th .- The Son Bhandar cave.
- 7th.—The oyelopean walls and platforms and the Nekpai embankment.
- 8th.—The causeway to Sailagiri, with the two stairs leading one to Ananda's cave and the other to Buddha's.
- 9th.—The caves in the Sailagiri rocky eminence,—called Gridhrakūta.
- 31. Ascending the Baibhar hill we pass several basements and the remains of two stupas. Continuing, we pass three Jain temples and come to a fourth. Here, descending a mountain path, a few, yards, wo come to another basement, and crossing on to a natural platform, just north of this temple, we are immediately in front of the Great Northern Caves. These caverns pierco the hill horizontally for a depth of fifty feet and more, leading into cross-galleries running at right angles to them for thirty or forty feet. Many of the minor recesses near this may be taken as caves. It is a mile from the Pipolo cave, in the northern shadow of Baibhar; consequently it answers the precise description given of the Saptaparna cave by the Chinese traveller Fa Hian, so far as position is concerned. Of the tremendous labour with which it was converted into an assembly hall for the 1st Buddhist synod, where 500 Arhats met to discuss the future of Buddhism, there is no trace. The stairs, if any, have long since disappeared; of embellishment there is none. A small paved space exists at the entrance of the principal cave, but this may have been made at any time.

32. Returning to the temple and descending the hill a few yards on the opposite side, we find the ruins of an old temple of Mahadee, where two lingas have at one time each claimed devotion from the worshippers. A few pillars are still standing, not very perpendicular, but nothing of the original exterior remains.

33. Returning to the foot of the hill, and following its base near the stream which skirts it, a little less than a mile brings us to the Son Bhandar cave—the treasury of gold. This is an artificial chamber, 34 feet by 17 nearly, with an arched ceiling of 11½ feet. The polishing of the interior may not compare with that of the Barabar caves, but still it is noteworthy. Outside the cave there is a level space which gradually merges into the plain. At one time the cave was embellished, and stucco still adheres to the ceiling. A window lights up the cave at the end, away from the door. Outside and inside there are and have been inscriptions dating from the remotest antiquity. Some are readable, others barely so. A very interesting Pali inscription is lost from over the door. Three or four letters remain of it. Of the shell character, too, there are two or three examples.

The chief interest attaching to this cavo is its snpposed identity with the Saptaparna. The meaning of this word is seven-leaved. Not very far ontside is to be found a septafid tree—the bombax Malabaricum—or common simul tree, whose bloom throws a crimson note into the March landscape everywhere in India. The leaves group in seven from a common centre, and the term would scarcely apply to a row of seven, as has been proposed for what I believe is the great northern cave. The name Nyagrodha, too, has been applied to this cave, as it is to one of the Barabar ones which especially was a sanctuary; Nyagrodha meaning the banian tree. But the Son Bhandār cave has entside, a few feet above the door, a series of mortice holes, which must at one time have supported a roof covering a portion of the space in front of the two caves. There are also stairs cut in the rock leading up to a seat midway between this cave and its companion.\*

This cut stair, the several mertice holes, and sundry other chisellings on the rock-face having a constructive purpose; the general embellishment of the cave, and its expensive polishing, could only have been done by royal command. Its correspondence with the Burmese account of the locale of the synod, as translated by Bishop Bigandet, throw much evidence into its favour as the Saptaparna.

34. Another cave, too, claims this distinction—the Pipolo cave at

Originally there were two caves of almost similar dimensions; the one to the right has been blasted down by treasure-seekers, the name of the cave being taken too literally.

the foot of the Baibhar hill. It is near the Asura's house (Jarasandha ka baithak). Ceylonese authorities claim it as being the cave which corresponds most to the description in the Mahavanso.

The authority mostly in favour of the Son Bhandar being the Saptaparna is General Cunningham, while Mr. Beglar claims this distinction for a cave I have been unable to discover or identify on the north of Baibhar, except it be for the series of the great northern caves I have mentioned. Mr. Fergusson has accepted Mr. Beglar's idea, without being certified as to the existence of the cave described by him.

- 35. Great interest in the ruins of the ancient city of Rajagriha attaches itself to the almost cyclopean walls, embankments, and highways which endure to the present. The highway leads over the embankments and city walls to the crest of the hills forming ramparts which an invading army of old would have found a complete obstruction. One wonders who would seek this barren waste, whose stony ground produces nothing but thorn and serub bamboo, where trees occur at great distances apart and are all stunted. Yet at one time we hear of these embankments, to which a miraculous origin is ascribed, converting the country into a smiling garden and the city into a famine-proof granary.
- 36. We hear, too, of King Bimbisara and his chariot-how he had a highway built up the side of Chatagiri to the rocks of Sailagiri, and how he went in state to hear the words that Buddha had to say for the comfort of humanity; for among these rocks which overlang so and threaten the timid, there are erevices and caves which were holiest places to the successive bands of Buddhists who have sought refuge here, where the great teacher lived and taught. From these rocks, right up to the very crest of Sailagiri, were built stupus and vihāras which were made waste and laid low, when a newer religious fervour directed its hate towards Buddhism, - in its turn to be forgotten for many a century
- 37. I traversed this highway several times noted the stupa built right in the road, which marks where King Bimbisara dismounted from his chariot, and where again, on arriving at the upper flat in front of the caves, another stupa records his sending back of the crowd, if we take Fa Hiau's account to guide us. Here, crossing over the boulders lying in the now dry bed of the mountain torrent, I was able to again follow up the old road, which leads to the two principal caves by a direct stair to each, and which I was only able to discover after having the jungle cleared for two or three days. Some six or seven caves, none of any size, exist here. The rocks having naturally fallen into their present position, which I should say is barely different from what it was

twenty-five centuries ago, and which have not been touched by the chisel for any purpose whatsoever, in vain I sought some stone-cut record of the past. Statues shattered and mutilated of the Buddha I found here, but nothing more. There were bricks all over the place; a stucco resette in one of the caves shows that it had been plastered and embellished. Here, too, is the great stone fronting the cave Ananda occupied, whereon the Vulture Mara sat and with outspread wings terrified his soul, and there is the kindly crevice through which the comforting hand of Buddha came and rested on his shoulder, divesting him of fear. The very spot where I placed my not irreverent camera to record the present condition of the cave is where the vulture sat who gave the name Gridhrakūta to this group of caves.

- 38. Here it was that Mahendra, more than two centuries later, sought refuge in Buddba, and the small clay hill I saw at Mahendra near Patna, is a model of this hill. The centuries between, and its perennial renewings, have altered its outline in detail only. The slanting highway reaching from the foot of the hill to the cave level opposite has been worn down to almost a level road at its water-course end, where one would naturally imagine the approach to be eminently difficult. The caves, too, are rightly placed behind the wall of rocks, the mud representing which seems here to have been piled higher as the road were down. So there is an unmistakeable similarity, although the likeness may not be at first sight obvious.
- 39. I returned to Calcutta in the middle of February, and after seeing all my moulds stored away in the Museum, I took up my southern tour.
  - 40. There remained to do-

1st, the Asoka inscription at Jaugada in the Madras Presidency; 2nd, a rescript of the same edicts at Dhauli;

3rd, the singular record of self-laudation by the Aira Raja over the cave entrance in *Udaigiri*; and

4thly, a number of small dedicatory tablets from various cavos of the Udaigiri and Khandagiri group.

41. I booked by the Calna for Gopalpur, a seacoast town of the Madras Presidency, about 350 miles from Calcutta. It is the port of the Ganjam district; it is also the summer resort. Berhampur is the sadar station. Ganjam is but a small station. I was at Gopalpur in the first week of March, and immediately made for Jaugada by way of Berhampur. The nearet post-town to Jaugada is Purushottapur, just the other side of the Rishikulia rivor, and the nearest village to the fort is Pandya; the whole journey from Gopalpur being about 41 miles. The assistant tahsildar was of great help to me at Jaugada. While the

plaster was preparing. I availed mysolf of an invitation from Mr. Minchin at Aska. (Mr. Minchin, I may note, is the gentleman who has identified himself with the manufacturing industry of the country, to whose outerprise is due the prosperity of the present sugarcane cultivators.) I was in some hope of seeing a photograph of the Jaugada inscription when it was intact in 1857. Mr. Minchin took the negatives home with him, and left them at the India Office at the request of the Madras Government. Nothing has since been heard of them. He was, however, instrumental in drawing the attention of Government to its possible defacement from the chipping off of the rock-surface.

I was not, however, to see them, as Mr. Minohin was disappointed to find he had not a copy left.

42. All that remains of the ancient fort of Jangada is an immense enclosure within a moat and a running mound, 15 to 20 feet high, which is ontered at several openings where gates have been.

Within this square enclosure two or three piles of granite rocks are most picturesquely grouped, and west of the glen, where the principal structures have been, indications of which still exist, an immense rock rises up with a circular outline, on the perpondicular face of which Asoka's edicts have been engraved. There are two sets of edicts; the left-hand tablet bearing the edicts common to the Girnar, Shabbazgiri, and Khalsi rooks, and the right-hand ones, enclosed within a line border. bearing symbols at the corners-local edicts addressed to the officers governing the state of Samāpā-a name unidentified in the ancient geography of India. Most probably Samapa was a city on the banks of the Rishikulya close by. Magnificent banian trees have avenned the road along the riverside, a remnant few of which are still to be seen. The inscription was first brought to notice by Sir W. Elliott, when it was more perfect. An attempt to make an impression of it has destroyed the larger part of the inscription since. There used to be a double-storied house close to this rock occupied by a jogi, obscuring the view of the edicts, when earlier sets of photographs of the inscription were taken. It has since been demolished.

43. On my completing this work I came through Rambha, at the southern extremity of the Chilka lake and 28 miles from Jangada, whence I had the pleasant experience of sailing across the Chilka lake in a country-boat with a great mat sail. Old Buddhist traditions cling to the water-borne population here. Boats still carry on their prows Buddbist emblems whose purpose or meaning is absolutely forgotten.

44. Coming into Orissa I proceeded to Khurda, where Mr. McPherson very kindly made me his guest, and arranged for my travelling and camp at both Khandagiri and Dhauli; the whole distance from

Rambha including the boat journey being 83 miles. A considerable time was taken up in the preparing of plaster. This gave me some leisure to examine the caves and to select my sites for photographing them.

- 45. Khandagiri and Udaigiri are the two hills formed of the sandstone outcrop in Orissa, some 19 miles south of Cuttack and 14 miles east of Khurda.
- 46. The perpendicular bluffs have been cut into for all the caves. Natural caverns, where the sandstone forms the arched roof of a cave, are frequent. The Hathigumpha is the largest of them. The apper story of the Rāni Naur Palace cave is a similar arch, for the support of which the pillars placed there recently are quite unnecessary. The sandstone bluffs are in three distinct levels of elevation.
- 47. Lowest level.—In the lowest level are the caves facing south, and seen enface from the bungalow—the Alakapura-jayavijaya and Swargapura (in the second story). An effaced Pali inscription near the elephant frieze (the largest elephant sculpture in these hills) witnesses to its age, while the huge male elephants approaching the arch on either side (they are four tusked and are tended by female elephants) show the importance of this cave.

The lower story of the Rāni Naur Palace cave is on the west of this bluff, and to the east, a row of small caves with a stair leads up to the second bluff.

Second level.—In this to the west is the upper story of the Queen's palace; on the east there is the Vaikuntha group. The roof of this group and of the Rāni Naur form the upper terrace of this bluff.

Third level.—North-east of the Queen's palace cave, in the third bluff, we have the Ganesa cave, so called from a figure of Ganesa carved in its inner chamber, near which there is a Sanskrit inscription. The south-west face of the bluff has in its basement the Hathigumpha, above which several caves lead up to the platform forming the flat top of Udaigiri hill. The south-east corner of the bluff is broken into a number of detached rocks which are severally excavated into the Snake, the Tiger, and other caves which mendicant Buddhists have occupied.

48. Aira Raja occupied the caves of the Vaikuntha group. Inscriptions, fragmentary unfortunately, describe him as a disciple of Kadipa, a worshipper of the sun, a mighty Raja (of Kalinga) whose elephant is as a thundercloud. In illustration whereof there is the adoration of the Sun and Trivatna by a series of academical figures, which may relate to Kadipa's college of disciples,—heavenly musicians fill the air, while a grandly-proportioned elephant closes the procession. This neglected piece of sculpture is very nearly obliterated. The half-

on the other side is quite gone; of what remains I have brought a cast to Calcutta.

- 49. The Hathigumpha in all probability was the Pilkhana or elephant-house. But from its prominent character the rounded brow of the cave has been selected for the laudatory inscription, in Asoka characters, which gives it its importance.
- 50. Considering the nature of the sandstone-gritty, friable stuff that it is-it is fortunate not to have come under the weathering influences which have obliterated larger-featured scalptures.
- 51. Most of the dedicatory tablets are obscure and of ne importance, save for their ancient character. One—that on the Tiger cave points to a period when there was a change in religious opinion, and some intolerance prevailed. The Tiger cave is labelled as the chamber of a fierce anti-Vedist.
- 52. Between the two hills a road now runs where jungle filled the glen, and the stair leading to the cave level of Khandagiri gives access to caves nnknown when Fergusson visited the place. Here, en the level of the highest bluff of Udaigiri, is the Ananta cave, opening to the north. Of the Asoka inscription which once described it, little is new discernible.

Mr. Fergusson has attached some importance to this cave, for besides the description of it by Dr. Mitter, and the photographs of the sculptures by Mr. Locke, he had the Commissioner of Orissa ask Mr. Phillips to visit the cave before he was satisfied that all particulars had reached him.

At page 72 of his book on the "Rock-cnt Temples of India," under the joint-authorship of Mr. Burgess, he says, referring to the four sculptured tympana inside the arches, two of which are perfect:-"From our knowledge of the sculpture of Barhut, we may safely predicate that in addition to the Tree and image of Sri, the two remaining tympana were filled, one with a representation of a wheel, and the other of a dagoba, the last three being practically the three great objects of worship both here and at Sanchi." What I have written in my fuller report, before I saw Mr. Fergusson's book, is to this purpose.

53. The Ananta cave has been an important place of worship, Within its imer chamber is a sketch-relief of what has been supposed to be a preaching Buddha. This figure has been accepted by Dr. Mitter and others as a Buddha-probably it is a Tirthankara made at a later period; above his head are a row of emblems,—the trisul flanked by a shield on either side, and these again each by a tree emblem and then the swastika.

This cave, already described by Fergusson, Dr. Mitter and others

had not yet heen exhausted of its treasures. The Museum is enriched with casts from two of its four tympana. The worship of the railed Bodhi tree and of the auspicious Sri account for two. The grime of centuries has conecaled the religious significance of the two fractured tympana.

The fourth or left-hand sculpture represents the better half of a composition dealing with the apothesis of the four-tusked elephant. (It will be remembered that when Buddha was lord of a herd of 1,000 elephants, he carried four tusks, according to a birth story figured in one of the Bharhnt sculptures.) The artist here has tried within a limited has-relief to give every detail of the vast bulk of the lordliest of elephants. The Sun is in attendance, and two female elephants on each side offer their lord a lotus-worship. Much of the right-half with one female elephant is lost.

The tympanum between this and Sri shows the quadriga of the Sun enface. Aruna is surrounded by the heavenly host. The Moon is there in her first quarter, and Rahu, too, is largely present. Female attendants minister to Aruna. The left-half of the sculpture is partly lost.

- 54. I am glad to say I have secured casts of these two sculptures.
- 55. On this Khandagiri hill are other Buddhist caves, some with ancient Pali inscriptions. But the Jains have mostly made it their resort. In these caves, or the remains of them, their numerous Tirthankaras with their Saktis look down from the high position which they occupy on the eastern hillside, while the top of the hill is crowned with a double temple, which was restored during the Mahratta irruption into Orissa.
- 56. While the work at Khandagiri was completing, I went on to Dhauli.

In the fork where a tributary enters the Dyah river lies an ancient tank—the famous Kosali-ganga, regarding the excavation of which interesting legends exist. Probably it is one of those enormous tanks Buddhists have dug wherever they have made a home for themselves. Now much of it is filled up and given over to cultivation. To the west of this tank is an obtruded group of granite rocks, forming the isolated Dhauli hill. This hill throws out a spur which reaches the tank, and which, with the northern end of the hill, makes a basin-like valley between, with the Kosali-ganga in front of it.

Not far from the dry tank a block of granite flanks the spur, and, on entering the valley at this point, an elephant seems to approach one from out of the domed top of the rock, out of whose solid mass it has been excavated. This is the upper half of the Aswastama rock; the lower

north face, which has been polished, bears the inscription of Asoka's edicts.

The local edicts here are identical with those at Jaugada, the city named being Tosali. This is considered the same as Dosara, on the Dosaron river.

- 57. Between Dhauli and Khandagiri I had twice to pass through Bhuvaneswar. I could not help noticing the extreme beauty of some of these ancient temples. Artistic surprises met onc everywhere. Naturally, one wonders when he meets grouped together in this remote corner of India, objects of artistic or religious significance peculiar to Romo and Greece, Phœnicia and Egypt. Ganeśa has fruit offerings placed before him on a Delphic tripod; long gaunt figures adorn the great temple, which might have been studied on Cleopatra's Needle; children drawn with a grace, and figured with a freedom which Albani might have envied; statuettes and figures, grouped and singly, which disclose a grace one would hardly associate with Indian sculpture-all the work of the past!
- 58. Besides the great temple I would name as deserving protective care-

the Mukleśwara and Parasurāmeśwara, the Brahmaneśwara and Bhaskareśwara, the Baital Deul and the Raj-Rāni temples.

Each of these has structural and archeological peculiarities of its own. The first three in this list have been the models for the hundreds of temples which have made Bhuvaneswar peculiarly the city of temples.

I returned to Calcutta through Cuttack and via Chandbally, arriving here on the 4th of June.

A cordial vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson to the Government of Bengal for the interest taken in the matter of Asoka Inscriptions in India, which was carried by acclamation.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY circulated the following table of comparison of selected words and numerals in several Assam languages forwarded by Mr. S. E. Peal of Sibsagar.

# Comparison of some Words in

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The Secretary reported that the election of the Rev. J. L. Peach had been cancelled at the request of that gentleman who intimated that he would be shortly leaving India, and did not expect to return.

The Secretary read a circular from the Royal Society of New South Wales, enumerating prizes to be given for original researches on certain subjects connected with Australia. This can be seen in the Society's office.

Mr. C. Little moved that the Society should be registered under. Act XXI of 1860.

The following papers were read :-

1. Rough notes on the Grammar of the Language spoken in the Western Pānjāb.—By TREVOR BOMFORD, C.M.S., MULTAN.

Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

#### (Abstract.)

In laying them on the table, the Honorary Philological Secretary, said, I wish to draw special attention to these notes, as one of the most important contributions to our knowledge of the Indo-Aryan Vernaculars, which has appeared during the past decade. Its importance lies not only in the value of the grammar, as illustrating an imperfectly known language, but as supplying a missing link which completes a chain of evidence materially affecting the hitherto accepted theories regarding the classification of the modern Indo-Aryan languages.

The points of similarity which exists between the Kāçmīrī and Sindhī languages has been noted incidentally by Dr. Bühler, and by the present speaker, but it has not been easy to explain satisfactorily the evident relationship which exists between them, for till Mr. Bomford's Rough Notes were received, the territories in which these two languages were spoken were believed to be separated by many hundred miles of country, inhabited by a population speaking a totally different language—Pānjābī. There was no historical or territorial connexion between these two widely separated, but closely connected, languages.

Mr. Bomford's Rough Notes have changed all this. We have hither to known a so-called dialect of Panjābi called Multāni, which has been well illustrated by the late Mr. O'Brien's Multāni Vocabulary. This has hitherto been localized in the south of the Panjab, round Multān, in the districts bordering on Sindh, and, as it bore many close points of resemblance to Sindhi, it was assumed, on the information then available, to be a sort of border dialect, through which Sindhi merged into

Panjabi. Mr. Bemford now shows that what has hitherto been called Multani, from the place where it was first observed, is not a border language between Sindhi and Panjabi at all. It is the language of the Panjab, west of, roughly speaking, the Jhelum, till it meets the Pashtuspoken west of the Indus. Panjabi has hitherto been measured by the standard of Amritsar, a town some forty miles East of Lahore, midway between the Ravi and the Satlaj, and our grammars, dictionaries, and literature have been based entirely on the language of the East of the Pan-The Grammars stated, and it was known as a general fact, that the language of the Western Panjab differed from that of the East, but few attempts, till Mr. Bomferd undertook the task, were made to investigate the points of difference, and it was too readily assumed that Panjābi had two dialects,—a Standard and a Western. Mr. Bomford's grammar shows that this is not true. That Western Panjabi can in no sense be called a dialect of standard Panjabi, but is ultogether a distinct language closely connected with, and forming the connecting link between Sindhī and Kāçmīrī.

These three languages, Sindhi, Western Panjabi, and Kaçmiri, can now be classed as forming a North-Western Family of Inde-Aryan Vernaculars, markedly differing from what has hitherto been called the Western, but must now be called the Central Family, and having curiously intimate relations with the Eastern language of Assam and with the Aryan languages spoken in the provinces of Bengal, Bihar and Orissa.

This, interesting fact opens out wide ethnological questions, on which I am now engaged, and I hope, at an early date, to be able to place the result of my researches before the Society.

This paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

- 2. On a case of Aghorpanthism from the Saran District, Behar.—By BABU SARAT CANDRA MITRA. Communicated by the Anthropological. Secretary.
  - 3. Eastern Nagas of the Tirap and Namtsik.—By S. E. Peal, Esq., These papers will be published in the Journal, Part III.
- 4. Susunia Rock Inscription of Candra-varman .- By NAGENDRA-NATHA VASU.

This inscription has been found on the Susunia hill, in the district of Bankura, 12 miles to the north-west from the head-quarters and 17 miles south-west from the Raniganj Station of the East India Railway. Passengers travelling by that Railway past the stations of Durgapur, Ondal and Raniganj, see the hill with its two peaks towards the south-south-west verge of the horizon, like the head and back of a luge elephant facing the west. The whole hill from the

base to the highest summit is covered with a dense jungle of various forest trees, some of which may produce good timber; but the hill being subject to the usual annual burning, the trees suffer much from the fire, and are little used except for fuel and for the framework of the thatched houses.

This hill together with Bihārī-nāth, Pachette and several other hills, forms the eastern outskirt of the Vindhya ranges, the Susuniā hill being the easternmost extremity. The whole hill is formed of a fine kind of sandstone which is especially valued for paving purposes, known in the trade as Burdwan paving stones. A few years ago its quarries brought a considerable sum to its proprietors, but during recent years stones of a superior quality having been dug at a place near the B. N. Railway the Susuniā stone trade has greatly fallen off.

A branch of the Ahalyā Bāi's Road passes by the western side of the hill from Chatnā to Rānīgañj. At a little distance to the cast from the road and at the south-western base of the hill, there is a perennial spring called Dhārā and some ancient sculptures, the principal one being that of Narasimha (an incarnation of Visnu). An annual fair is held there on the Vārnnī festival, on the 13th day of the dark fortnight of the month of Caitra. But the chief object of interest to which I endeavour to draw the attention of the meeting is the Inscription on the hill, which though so near to the metropolis and to a first class Railway Station, has not received the notice it deserves from, any of our former worthy antiquarians. I here give a brief account of it, which, though insufficient, will, I hope, give an idea as to the nature and contents of the inscription.

I was first informed of it last January, by my friend Bābū Cropi Nath Karmakar, who told me that there was an inscription on the north-east side of the Susnnia hill, which the people of that locality regarded as the work of the Devas, written in three lines in three different Devakearas, i.e., characters of the Devas. They also believed it to have existed there from time immemorial, and that none can read it, and that, if perchance some sadhu (sage) did come and read it, he would not disclose its contents to the people in general, who are deemed unprivileged to hear its sacred teachings. I at once concluded that this must be some ancient inscription, and requested my friend to send me an impression of it. Accordingly he went to that place, but being unable to procure an impression of the inscription, which he reported to be too large for his materials then at hand, he sent me the annexed hand-copy, with a brief description of the locality, nature of the inscription, &c., promising, however, to procure a faithful impression in ink when required. Trusting to get it shortly I have ventured to make the copy and my reading of it, the subject of my present paper.

The spot, where the inscription is situated, is on the north-eastern side of the hill nearly half way to the summit, above a perennial mountain-spring which among the people of the locality goes by the name of Yamadhārā or Damdhārā, in order to distinguish it from the more important spring Dhārā to the south-west extremity, which has been already mentioned. The place commands the view of a tract of land towards the north as far as Rānīgañj, spotted with innumerable villages, ponds, gardens, cornfields, jungles, &c. Tradition runs, that this place was the grotto of Virūpākṣa Rṣi, who lived there in ancient times. Some also believe that even now he lives invisible in the mountain, and others say that some fortunate villager sometimes descries him as an old man with a long white beard and grey hair, roving early in the morning over the hill bright as the sun, singing angelic songs, but vanishing at the approach of man.

The inscription is on the vertical side of a cliff facing the west. The surface is smooth and there are no fissures visible. The inscription is written in three lines, with a symbolic ornamented circle at the top. Almost the whole is in an excellent state of preservation. The letters are ent deep and clearly by the hand of a skilful engraver. The average size is nearly 4." The characters belong to the class which Dr. Fleet calls 'the North Indian Alphabet of the 4th century A.D.' All the letters closely resemble those of the 'Meharauli Posthumous Iron Pillar Inscription of Candra,' first brought to notice in our Society's Journal in 1834, and subsequently published in other numbers, and lately by Dr. Fleet in his Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum, Vol. III, plate XXI A.

In respect of orthography the only points deserving of notice, are the doubling of k followed by r, as in line 1 in Cakkra-svāminak, and the doubling of m preceded by r, as in line 2, in patēr mmahārāja. The language is Sanskrit and the version prose.

The circle at the top with its adjuncts represents, I think, the bright discus (cakra) of Viṣṇu, whose name as Cakra-srāmin appears at the commencement of the inscription.

Regarding the posthumous inscription of Candra in the Meharaull pillar, Dr. Fleet says:—

'My own impression at first on independent grounds, was to allot it to Candra-gupta I., the first Mahārajādhiraja of the family, of whose time we have as yet no inscription, and I should not be surprised to find any time that it proved to belong to him. The only objection that I can see, is that it contains no reference to the Indo-Scythians, by overthrowing whom the early Guptas must have established themselves.' (Fleet's Corp. Ins. Ind. III. p. 140 n.).

But it appears to me that the Candra of the Meharauli pillar, is no other than the Candravarman of the present inscription. This conjecture is supported by the fact, that Candra of the Meharauli inscription was a Vaisnava (worshipper of Viṣṇu) who had erected a dhvaja or standard of the god Viṣṇu as the inscription states, and that he had carried on war with the kings of Vanga (Bengal), and, crossing the seven mouths of the Siudhu (Indus), had conquered the Vāhlikas of Bactria or Balkh. Now in order to fight with the Kings of Vanga, probably he had to pass over the region in which stands Susuniā hill, and it may be surmised that like the dhvaja-erection, he symbolized the Viṣṇu-cakra on the Susuniā hill, and left the inscription to commemorate it.

In the Allahabad posthumous pillar inscription of Samudra-gupta, he is said to have defeated Candra-varman, a powerful king of the North India. This again leads us to imagine that Candra-varman, sou of Mahārāja Siddha-varman, styled as the Lord of the Puskara lake (in Ajmēr), of the present inscription reigned as a powerful king, and at one time waged a furious war throughout the whole of Northern India, from Bengal in the east to the Punjab in the west, and at last was defeated by Samudra-gupta.

#### Transcription.

1	चक्रसामिनः दासापेवातिस्यः
2	पुष्कराम्बिधयतेन्त्रेदाराजनीसिदवर्माणः पुत्रस्थ
3	मदाराजशीचन्द्रवर्माणः कृतिः।

#### English Transliteration.

1. Cakkra-svāminah dāsāgreņātisrstah.

Puşkarambudhi pater mmaharaja-Çri-Siddha-varmmanah putrasya.

3. Maharaja-Çri-Candra-varmmanah krtih.

#### Translation.

Dedicated by the chief of the servants of the Lord of the discus (Vienu).

The work of the illustrious Candra-varman, son of the illustrious Siddha-varman, the Lord of the Puşkara Lake.

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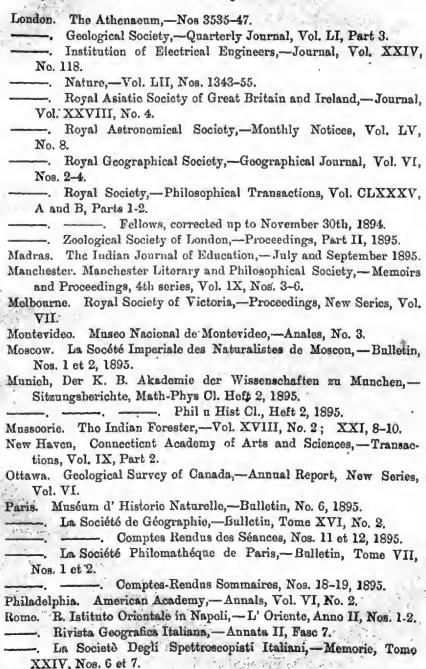
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#### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR DECEMBER, 1895.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 4th December, 1895, at 9 p.m.

ALEXANDER PEDLER, F. R. S., President, in the chair.

The following members were present:-

H. K. W. Arnold, Esq., J. C. Bose, Esq., P. J. Brühl, Esq., F Finn, Esq., Dr. G. A. Grierson, A. Hogg, Esq., C. Little, Esq., Bābu Pañcānana Mukerjee, L. de Nicéville, Esq., J. D. Nimmo, Esq., C. A. Oldham, Esq., Dr. D. Prain, Bābu Mahendranāth Rāy, Dr. P. C. Ray, Paṇḍit Haraprasād Çastrī, Bābu Nagēndranātha Vasu, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitors: - C. W. Odling, Esq., Babu Asutosh Ray.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Thirty presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen duly proposed and seconded at the last Meeting of the Society were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

J. Kennedy, Esq., Charles Swift Delmerick, Esq. Pandit Harimohan Vidyabhushan.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next Meeting:—

R. Paget Dowhurt, Esq., proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Richard Burn, Esq., I.C.S., proposed by Dr. G. A. Grierson, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

G. Place, Esq., I.C.S., Judge, Chapra, proposed by Dr. G. A. Grier-

son, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Dr. Arnold Caddy, proposed by Dr. W. J. Simpson, seconded by Dr. G. Ranking.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society.

Dr. O. C. Raye.

The Natural History Secretary read obitnary notices of the deaths of Monsieur Louis Pasteur and Prof. T. H. Huxley.

Louis Pasteur was born in 1822 at Dôle, in the Jura. His education commenced at the Communal College at Arbois, and he passed into the E'cole Normale in 1843. Here he studied chemistry under Balard, and at the Sorbonne under Dumas, showing remarkable application. It was in the E'cole Normale, under Delafosse, that he commenced that study of molecular physics, which led up to his first important work, the investigation on the isomeric crystals of the tartrates and paratartrates of soda and ammonia. This work was intorrupted by his appointment as Dean of the Faculty of Sciences at Lille; here the chief industry of the town was the manufacture of alcohol, and Pasteur, desiring to improve it by scientific methods, took up the study of fermentation. The change of subject was not so great as it seems, for in his study of the tartaric salts he had observed cases in which fermentation had seemed due to the presence of a living organism. Now, combining chemistry and microscopy as they had hardly ever been combined before, he succeeded in proving that fermentation generally is due to the action of organisms living in the fermonting substance. More, he showed that each method of fermentation, vinous, patrefactive, or otherwise, was due to a specific micro-organism appropriate to that method. Most important of all, Pastenr's investigations shewed that each species of ferment may be isolated and cultivated separately, and in certain instances be so modified by cultivation as to exert but relatively slight influence on substances which it would naturally strongly affect. The most direct applications of these results wore, naturally, made in the manufacture of wine and vinegar and later on of beer, the so-called diseases of which, being traced to the disturbing influences of other micro-organisms mingled with those of the true alcoholic ferment, pure yeast, could now be prevented, for instance by the heating process known specially as Pasteurization. Hence accrued a great gain to the wine and beer industries; but the utility of the proof that

fermentations; including the putrefactive, are directly due to microorganisms, soon received a more important demonstration. The studof the diseases of fermented liquids led straightway to the practice of antiseptic surgery, now so universally applied. Very few years later the whole subject of the complete exclusion of micro-organisms was exhaustively studied by Sir Joseph Lister, and afterwards by others, to the end of the saving of thousands of lives, and the rendering possible of many operations which before could hardly be attempted. Pasteur would have proceeded to carry out in relation to diseases the great general principle that he had established, but now he was forced to change somewhat the nature of his inquiry, being urged in 1865 by Dumas to undertake the investigation of a disease of silkworms in the south of France, which was seriously threatening the silk industry. The existence of "corpuscles" in the diseased insects and eggs had already been reported, and Pasteur, while making a careful investigation of the whole disease, directed his chief studies to these. He found that these diseasegerms were passed on in the eggs, and invented a plan of testing for disease in the breeding moths, which, being practically followed, has proved effectual in putting a stop to the plague. After four years spent in investigating this subject, Pasteur had a dangerous paralytic stroke, in consequence of which, and of the miseries of the Franco-German war, which shortly followed, he was debarred for some time from any original work. On the end of the war he first betook himself to a study of the diseases of beer on the same lines as he had adopted in his previous researches on those of wines, and then devoted himself to that field of research in which he has won his greatest fame-the study of those diseases of animals which might be supposed to originate from virus generated by various micro-organisms. Davaine had acquired evidence of the dependence of anthrax on the presence of organisms in the blood of infected animals, but his work was not well received till Pastenr proved its correctness, and then still further extended his researches. Most important of all, besides ascertaining the appropriate micro-organisms of several diseases, he found various means of cultivating these germs; these he separated, multiplied, and tested their influences under various conditions of environment, or after changes had been induced in themselves. Most fruitful was the discovery thus made of the possibility of attenuating, or mitigating gradually, by various culture-processes. the virulence of morbific bacteria till they can without harm be introduced into the blood of an suimal which under normal conditions would rapidly succumb to their effects. And it was shown that some of thesa inoculations had the same effect as vaccination, giving the disease in a milder form and along with it protection against a severer attack.

The principle was first tested practically with fowl-cholera, and then with swine-crysipelas; but Pasteur has also applied it to anthrax, and as all are well aware, to rabies. So far-reaching is it that the debt of humanity to Pasteur becomes immense, even should the efficacy of inoculation treatment yet be considered doubtful in certain cases. But the great bacteriologist's own researches have been cut short, though he has been more fortunate than many in living to see them bear such ample fruit. Though since his paralysis he had enjoyed fairly good health, in 1887, he developed symptoms of heart and kidney disease, and four years ago he had influenza, resulting in yet further weakness. Last winter work was impossible for him, and though he went for the present summer to Garches, near St. Cloud, still with an eye to his labours, in the early part of September he himself appears to have been conscious of his approaching end, and on September 28th that end came.

Of his numerous honours we need only speak here of those our own countrymen have bestowed upon him. In 1856, he received the Rumford Medal from the Royal Society of London, for his researches on the polarisation of light, and in 1869 he was made a foreign member of the Society, receiving in 1874 the Copley Medal, which was awarded to Huxley in 1888. We may congratulate ourselves, as members of the Royal Asiatic Society, on having elected the founder of bacteriology as an Honorary Member of our body during the past year.

Thomas Henry Huxley was born at Ealing in 1825. His scientific training began at Charing Cross Hospital, where he joined the medical school in 1842. Even while here he distinguished himself by a brief notice in the Medical Times and Gazette of that layer in the root. sheath of hair which has since borne his name. Passing his M. B. Examination in 1845, he took the second place in honours in Austomy and Physiology, and after practising for some time among the poor in London, he joined the Royal Naval Medical Service. Thus he came to occupy the post of Assistant-Surgeon to H. M. S. Rattlesnake then about to start on a surveying voyage to the South Seas. The voyage, during which the Iuner route between the Barrier Reef and the East Coast of Australia and New Guinea was surveyed, and the world circumnavigated, occupied four years. So ample was the use that Huxley made of the opportunities thus afforded, that his communications, and the evidence of ability which they furnished, led to his election into the Royal Society in the year after his return. Two years later, Huxley left the naval service, and in 1856 succeeded Edward Forbes as Professor of Natural History in the Royal School of Mines, a post which he continued to hold till his retirement from all official work

ten years ago. This was not however, his only scientific post. He was twice Fullerian Professor of Physiology to the Royal Institution; and in the same year in which this honour first fell to him, was appointed Examiner in Physiology and Anatomy to the University of London. Four years later, in 1858, he delivered the Croonian Lecture of the Royal Society, choosing for his subject the "Theory of the Vertebrate Skull." For six years he was Hunterian Professor at the Royal College of Surgeons, and twice he presided at the British Association, first in 1862 over the Biological Section at the Cambridge meeting, and eight years later, at the Liverpool meeting, over the Association as a whole. In 1869 and 1870, ho was President of the Geological and Ethnological Societies, and for three years he was Lord Rector of Aberdeen University. Elected Secretary of the Royal Society in 1873, he was called ten years later to the highest honour of English Science, the presidency of that body. He occupied the place of Sir Wyville Thomson as Professor of Natural History of Edinburgh, during that naturalist's absence with the Challenger, and for four years acted as Inspector of Salmon Fisheries. All his official posts, however, as above stated, were resigned by him in 1885, after which he retired to Eastbourne; but more than six years after his retirement, he received the dignity of Privy Councillor. His honorary degrees and memberships are too numerous to mention, though it must here be remarked that he was elected an Honorary Member of the Royal Asiatio Society of Bengal as early as 1872. After his retirement, Huxley lived a quiet but by no means inactive life, but latterly his health failed, and after more than a year's illness, he died on Jnne 29th, 1895. His work lay in more departments than one, and in each of these he occupies an exceptional position. As Biologist, whatever his rank will in the future be decided to be, he will at any rate be reekoned as one of the foremost of the century. Of wide interests, he undertook research in many Invertebrate and Vertebrate groups, and shed enlightenment on all. Most noteworthy, perhaps, was his work on the Comparative Anatomy and classification of the Vertebrata, to which he paid particular attention. In the second place, as a philosophic thinker, Hnxley is universally acknowledged to have held a high position. On many questions he has profoundly influenced modern thought, and in none so much as in that relating to the theory of Evolution. Of the views of Darwin and Wallace he was, if not the earliest, certainly far the most brilliant supportor. As early as 1863 his lectures to working men, begun in 1860 at the Jermyn Street Museum, were published under the title "Evidence as to Man's place in Nature," and excited great interest both at home and abroad. Not only did he advance the Darwinian principles in this and other works, but himself worked out many important developments thereof.

'His exceptional qualities as a controversialist are well known and were often called forth in defence of the evolution hypothesis and in theological disputes; while as a writer of English, no one of his timo has surpassed Huxley. Clearness of writing was his especial aim, -an aim which all must admit he has worthily attained. Perhaps, indeed, his greatest fame will hereafter rest on his qualities as a teacher. The extension of scientific knowledge was to him as important an object as its acqusition, and he fully recognized the extreme difficulty of, as he himself said, "the task of putting the truths learned in the field, the laboratory, and the museum, into language, which, without bating a jot of scientific accuracy shall be generally intelligible. His desire for the extension of scientific knowledge and methods, according to his own statement, rested on the conviction that there is no alleviation for the sufferings of mankind except veracity of thought and action. With the intent of promoting these objects he was content to subordinate any ambition he possessed for scientific fame to other ends, and he would have been content to be remembered, or even not remembered; as one of many who had worked for the popularization of science, the development and organization of scientific education, and the maintenance of opposition to clericalism of whatever denomination. That he will meet with the former alternative. of remembrance, and of remembrance as an ideal hero of science, will be the opinion of all who have paid even the slightest attention to his work and writings.

Dr. D. Prain exhibited a monstrous Papaya and made the following remarks.

A Case of Pleiotaxy of the Gynsecium. — By D. PRAIN.

(With Plates IV and V.)

Pleiotaxy of the gyncecium, or an increase in the number of whorls of which the pistil consists, occurs so infrequently that an undoubted instance is not unworthy of record. The present example, which occurred in a Papaya fruit that came to table in the ordinary way as dessert, was sent to the Royal Botanic Garden by Mr. J. S. Gladstone. It is an excellent instance of the condition spoken of as "a fruit within a fruit." Of this condition there may be two explanations. An adventitions fruit may occur within the ovary so as to occupy the position usually occupied by a seed. This is by no means an uncommon occurrence and, among recorded instances, is well-figured by Dr. Masters (Veg. Teratol. p. 182, f. 94, 95) from an example in Wall-flower pods,

<sup>1</sup> Gardener's Chronicle, i. (1882) p. 11 and p. 601.

by Mr. Duthie (Gard. Chron. i, 1882, p. 601, f. 95) from examples in the pods of Indian Mustard and by Dr. Masters (Veg. Teratol. p. 183, f. 96, 97) from examples in Grapes. Dr. King tells me that he has observed something approaching the same peculiarity in the Papaya itself; one or more of the seeds have been replaced by miniature Papayas projecting into the ovarian cavity.

Here, however, we have to deal with a different phenomenon. Inside the perfectly normal-looking fruit we find a second, about half its length, quite unconnected with the carpels of the ordinary pistil and arising from the axis of the flower within the normal ovary and therefore above the point of attachment of its parts. The edges of the carpellary leaves of this second ovary are more or less free except at the base; through the interstices we can see a third ovary proportionately smaller but rather more approaching the normal ovary in appearance and structure owing to its component carpels being united except at their tips. (Pl. IV, fig. A.) This third ovary we find to be from the second as the second is from the first; it occupies apparently as free the very extremity of the axis of the flower. (Pl. V, fig. B).

The degree of solution of earpels in the more external of these accessory fruits is rather irregular. Two carpels are united throughout; two others are discrete only in their apper fourth. These two pairs are inter se discrete to within half-an-inch from their base; the solitary carpel on the other hand, is united throughout its lower third to each of its neighbours. The carpels of this whorl are alternate with those of the normal ovary; those of the immost whorl are in turn alternate with the ones of the whorl just outside and are therefore opposite the normal carpels. (Pl. V, fig. C.) The multiplication of carpels here met with is obviously not due to substitution of carpels for organs of some other kind and is not easily explicable on the theory that there has been a chorisis of the normal carpels.

The stigmas of these extra carpels appear to be perfectly normal, but being confined within a closed cavity pollination has been impossible and the perfectly normal ovules that cover the placentas have remained undeveloped. Owing to the pressure exerted by the accessory carpels seeds are absent, excepting on the spaces opposite the gaps between these adventitious organs, from the lower two-thirds of the normal fruit. In the upper third where there has been no pressure perfect seeds are present as usual.

The discrete character of the outer accessory carpels will recall to mind the appearance presented by the "finger orange," in which there is, besides the separation of the ordinary ones, not infrequently an augmentation in number of carpels. This at times is due apparently to stamens becoming converted into carpellary organs; not always, however, for at times there is an increase in number of carpels without any alteration of stamens or of other organs. But the presence of a complete axially situated orange within another has not, I believe, been recorded.

Though very uncommon, the condition just detailed, which is the second way in which the existence of a fruit within a fruit may be explained, is nevertheless not novel. An excellent account of a precisely parallel case has been given by Dr. Masters (Gard. Chron. i, 1882, p. 11, f. 1), who records the phenomenon as occurring in Tropidocarpum an American Crucifer. In that instance a small ovary occupied, as in the present case, the very extremity of the flower-stem within the normal seed vessel. And it is possible that the condition of affairs in what is known as the St. Valery apple may be of the same nature, though another explanation has been offered of the structure in this case and it must be admitted that there, as in the case of the Love-apple where too an adventitions series of carpels is occasionally produced, the adventitions one is intimately combined with the primary series.

As showing the rarity of the condition it may be mentioned that the Tropidocarpum example appears to have been the first that Dr. Masters, our greatest authority on teratological questions, had met with; if any similar condition has since been recorded, the record has escaped my attention.

In the Gardener's Chronicle instance only one accessory carpellary whorl is present; here there are two. Partly on this account therefore, and partly owing to the rarity of the condition, but chiefly because the phenomenon is here so obvious and the abuormal organs are so tangible—the accessory overy in this Papaya measures three inches in length, that of Tropidocarpum only as many lines—it seems worth while recording this instance of pleiotaxy of the gynoccium.

The Philological Secretary exhibited two photographs of the inscription on a rock in the Brahmaputra forwarded by Mr. E. A. Gait.

The following papers were read:-

1. Discovery of a copper plate grant of Viçvarūpa, one of the Sēna kings of Bengal.—By BABU NAGENDRANATHA VASU.

### (Abstract.)

In the village Madanapāda, Post Office Pinjāri, Parganāh Kötālipāda of the Faridpur District, a peasant while digging his field found a copper-plate and made it over to the land-holder, who kept it in his house. This plate was made over to me by Paṇḍita Lakṣmi-candra Sāmkhyatīrtha in 1892, and I noticed the contents of this inscription and published a facsimile of the whole plate in the Viçvaköṣa, but this is the first time that I publish the entire text.

It has a curvature at the top bearing a ten-handed image of Sadāçiva, similar to that in the grant first brought to notice in the Society's Journal by J. Prinsep in 1838 (Vol. VII., Part I., p. 42).

The characters may be described as Bengali of the 12th or 13th century A.D., and they resemble closely the characters of the Dēopāḍā inscription of Vijaya-sēna.

The inscription opens with an invocation of Nārāyaṇa, of the Snn and of the Moon. It then relates that:—

From this famous lineage (of the Moon) sprung Sndhā-kiraņa-çēkhara (Çiva) in the shape of Vijaya-sēna. From him was born a very powerful king named Ballāla-sēna. From him sprung a son named Lakşmaņa-sēna; his son was Viçva-rūpa. The object of this plate is to record the grant of certain lands within the limits of Vikramapura to the Çruti-pāthaka (the reader of the Vēdas) the illustrious Viçvarūpa-dēva-çarman of the Vātsya gōtra, a great-grandson of Parāçara-dēva-çarman, grandson of Garbhēçvara and son of Vanamāli, in the month of Bhādra of the 14th year; effected by the illustrious Kōpiviṣṇu, the chief officer of peace and war in Gauḍa; (engraved) on the first Āçvina of the year 14.

One of the important points for notice in connection with this inscription is the distinctive titles of the four Sēna Kings which have, I believe, hitherto escaped the notice of antiquarians; thus:—Mahārāja Vijaya-sēna-dēva was styled Vṛṣabha-çaŋkara-gaudēçvara, his son Mahārāja Ballāla-sēna-dēva, Niḥçaŋka-çaŋkara-gaudēçvara, his son Maharāja Lakṣmaṇa-sēna-dēva, Madana-çaŋkara-gaudēçvara (L. 35), and his son Mahārāja Viçvarūpa-sēna-dēva, Vṛṣabhāŋka-çaŋkara-gaudēçvara.

The contents of the grant published by Prinsep as that of Kēçava-sēna, agree closely with those of the grant under review, with this exception that the place, where the name of the pseudo-Kēçava-sēna occurs in the grant, is in such a condition as to show that originally some other name had been inserted in the place of that of Kēçava-sēna. This circumstance led Prinsep to believe that at the time of the copperplate being engraved, Kēçava-sēna's elder brother Mādhava-sēna suddenly expired, and that his name was crased from it and that of his brother. But in the face of the copper-plate grant under review, Prinsep's inference can scarcely hold good. The reading moreover of Prinsep is not correct. The correct reading of the 10th verse, published by him according to the facsimile of the original grant of the 3rd year.

and also as shown in the newly discovered grant of the 14th year (line 17) is as follows:—

Etasmät kathamanyathä ripu-vadhü-vaidhavya-baddha-vratō. Vikhyāta-kṣitipāla-maulir abhavat Çrī-viçvarūpo nṛpaḥ.

It is evident from the above cloka that both the plates have the name of Vicva-rupa. The marks in the two places in the copperplate of the 14th year exactly tally with those of the other copperplate of the 3rd year. The name of Vicva-rupa is clearly inscribed on this plate in lines 17, 22 and 38. In both the grants, the name of Vicva-rupa, as marked in the last two places, seems to me to be the Royal sigu-manual.

The paper will be published in full in the Journal, Part I.

2. On Pronominal Suffixes to the Kaçmiri Language.—By Dr. G. A. Grierson.

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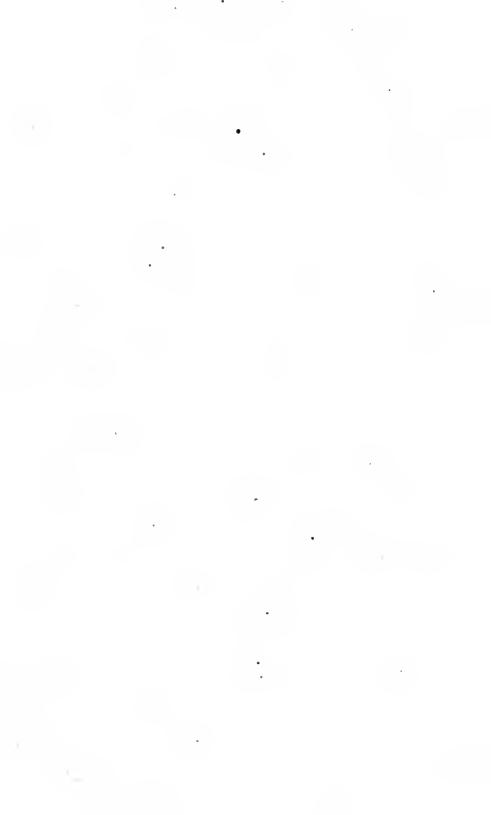
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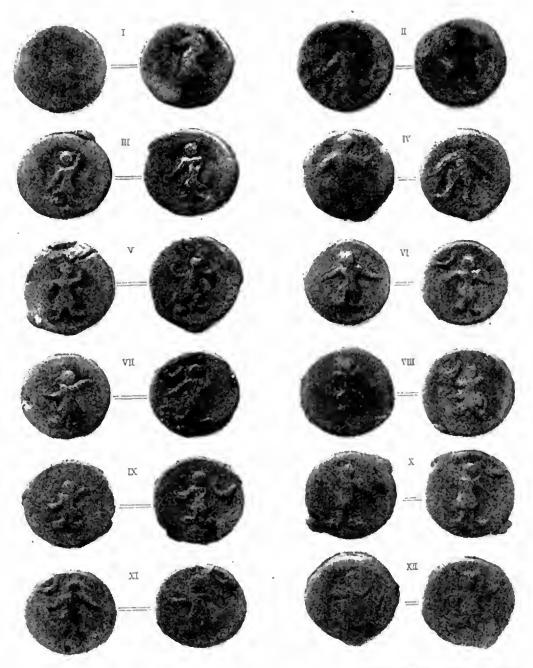


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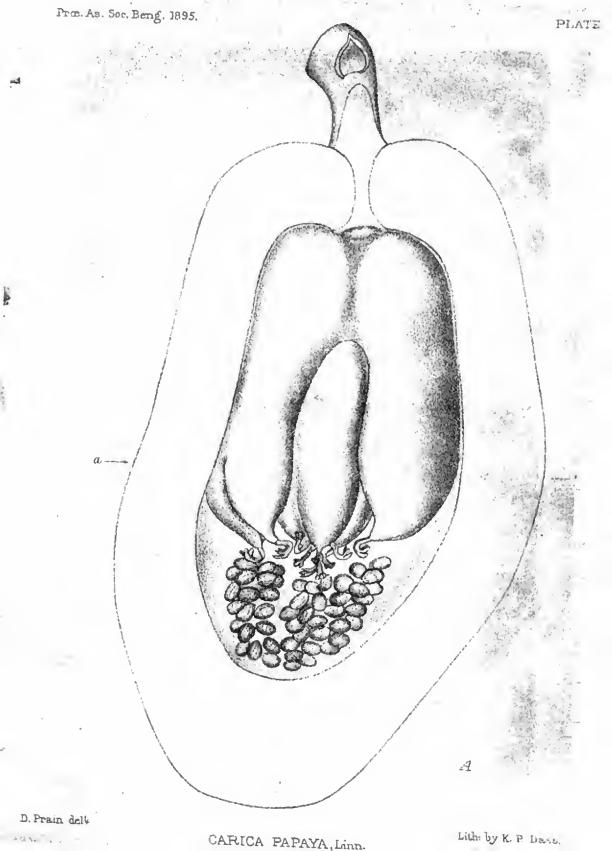


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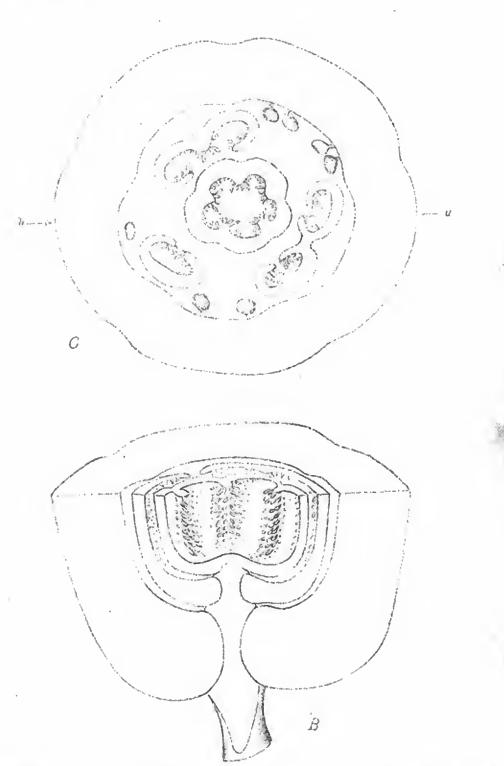
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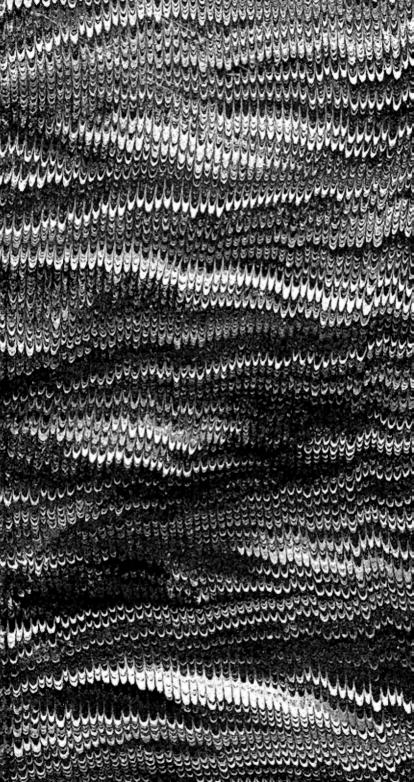
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